

Pharmacy & Medicines Directorate Weekly Update



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Reminder: NHS Grampian Move to Preferred Brand Denosumab 60mg: Stoboclo®

As you will be aware, NHS Grampian has been working over the last few months to move patients prescribed denosumab 60mg injection to the NHS Grampian preferred brand: Stoboclo.

As denosumab is a biologic medicine, prescribing by brand name is recommended to support continuity. The manufacturer of Stoboclo®, Celltrion, have indicated that they have sufficient stock to meet Scotland's demand. Their distributor to community pharmacies is AAH.

If there are any issues in procuring Stoboclo® please feed this back to Medicines Management.

Change of Clinical Decision Unit Email Address – from 29th September 2026

The clinical decision unit (CDU) in the Eye Outpatient Department, ARI have used the gram.eyeadvice@nhs.scot email address to correspond with wider allied health professionals to provide advice for many years. As a result, this inbox contains a vast amount of highly sensitive information which cannot be deleted as patient records must be kept. We have now reached the storage capacity of this inbox (with no further option of expanding this). As a result, we have instated a new email address that is to be used for all ophthalmology clinical queries.

From 29th September 2026, please use: gram.cdueyetriage@nhs.scot

We would urge every professional who wishes to contact CDU by email to use the above email address effective 29/09/2026.

Should someone mistakenly send an email to gram.eyeadvice@nhs.scot an automatic redirect is temporarily in place so the email will be redirected to gram.cdueyetriage@nhs.scot. This is to ensure that no referrals or clinical queries are missed during the transition period.

Please do not rely on this indefinitely as this is a temporary measure during this transition phase.

Please rest assured that all other CDU referral methods are unchanged. Please continue to call CDU for urgent advice as required. Please continue to use either gram.opthalmologyop@nhs.scot or gram.eyeswaitinglist@nhs.scot for any admin queries.

Public Health Update

SHAPE Network - **IMPORTANT!**

Tomorrow is the last day to submit your 6-month self-assessment to your PH Practitioner. If you do not make contact, we will assume you do not wish to revalidate the GOLD award next year.

Stoptober

By now, we trust you will have ordered in some resources and be promoting your stop smoking services. Please note this is mandatory for the SHAPE Network and pharmacies working towards GOLD awards.

We'd love to see photos of your displays, please send them to gram.pharmaceuticalcareservices@nhs.scot.

Together we can make a difference!

Sexual Health Webinar

Thank you so much to those who came along to the Sexual Health learning evening on Thursday. For anyone who's interested, the webinar is available to watch here:

[NHS Grampian Sexual Health Webinar - September 2026 - YouTube](#)

If you have any feedback or ideas you'd like around the topic for future learning, please contact: suzanne.cowie@nhs.scot

Save the Date: Training Sessions

Injecting Equipment Provision and BBV Prevention facilitated by Lynn Couper (Falkirk Health and Social Care Partnership)	<i>Please note new rescheduled date:</i> Tuesday 20 th October 12:00 – 13:00 on MS Teams.	This online session will examine the role of Injecting Equipment Provision (IEP) as a key harm reduction intervention for preventing blood borne viruses (BBVs). Register here .
Introduction to Sexual Health Course	Friday 30 th October 2026, 9:00 – 12:00 on MS Teams.	Please find the attached flyer for more information and to book your place.

Community Pharmacy Scotland Round-Up



25/09/2026 • Scottish Government

PCA(P)(2026)17 - Community Pharmacy Funding Arrangements 2026/27

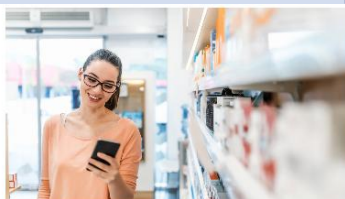
Details of the 2026/27 community pharmacy funding package, including Global Sum, guaranteed funding and remuneration arrangements.



24/09/2026 • Sarah Scott

Scottish Parliament Debate Reinforces Opportunity for Community Pharmacy

The Scottish Parliament recently debated the growing challenge of health misinformation, including its impact on public confidence in healthcare and vaccination programmes.



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Post Registration & Independent Prescriber Training

Important information on Post Registration Foundation Training and Community Pharmacist Independent Prescriber training opportunities.



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Applications for Post Registration Foundation Training for Pharmacists Qualifying in August 2026.

Applications are open until 30 September 2026 for the Post-Registration Programme for Pharmacists (Scotland).

The Happy Place 😊

Congratulations to the team at Charles Michie, Laurencekirk, on receiving a Pharmaceutical Care Services STAR Award in recognition of their exceptional commitment to patient care and community support. The team consistently goes above and beyond, providing compassionate, proactive assistance to customers, helping them access the right care, and making a meaningful difference within their local community. Well done! ⭐



We would like to continue this section as an opportunity for reward, recognition and good news stories of the teams who read this! Please submit any items for inclusion to gram.pharmaceuticalcareservices@nhs.scot.

*If you would like to nominate a colleague for a **Pharmaceutical Care Services Staff Recognition and Thanks (STAR) Award** please see our Microsoft Form submission form here: [Star Award Nominations for Community Pharmacy Staff – Fill in form](#)*

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