

Community Pharmacy Nottingham and Nottinghamshire ICB News

A newsletter for Community Pharmacy Teams in Nottingham,
Nottinghamshire and Bassetlaw

Purpose of this newsletter

The purpose of this newsletter is to share news from across the health system with Community Pharmacy Teams. Please share this newsletter with everyone in your pharmacy team including any locum staff.

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Questions and feedback about this newsletter

If you have any questions, please email the ICB Community Pharmacy Clinical lead;
Rebecca Dickenson using the email address Rebecca.Dickenson7@nhs.net.

Please send feedback as it helps to tailor this newsletter for you and your team.

Pharmacy First Update

The ICB have created some pharmacy first videos which you can use to promote the service. These have also been shared with GP practices. Please see the links below:

New:

Patient facing: [Emma Anderson \(Evans Pharmacy, East Leake\) and Dr Neil Fraser \(Village Health Group\) – PF general benefits](#)

General Practice facing: [Emma Anderson \(Evans Pharmacy, East Leake\) and Dr Neil Fraser \(Village Health Group\) – how practices can benefit / hints and tips](#)

Existing:

Patient facing: [National advert with local end screen](#)

Patient facing: [Emma Anderson \(Evans Pharmacy, East Leake\) – UTI condition specific.](#)

Patient facing: [Alice Clapham \(Newgate Pharmacy, Mansfield\) – general winter messages.](#)

Thank you, Emma Anderson and Alice Clapham, who made this possible.



Thamid Khan from Brinsley Pharmacy also had a slot speaking about Pharmacy First on East Midlands BBC radio. Thank you Thamid.

Community Pharmacy England continue to provide a myth busting series. Number 8 is about recording of outcomes from the drop-down box. This can be seen on the CPE website here [Pharmacy First myth busting series \(#8\) - Community Pharmacy England/](#)

CPPE Oral Contraception Service Resources

CPPE have a website page where all of their resources related to the oral contraception service can be found. To access this please follow this link: [NHS Pharmacy Contraception Service \(PCS\) : CPPE](#).

In addition, CPPE are holding panel discussions about the oral contraception service at 7pm on 26th February and 12th March. To book please follow this link: [NHS Pharmacy Contraception service \(PCS\) - panel discussion : CPPE](#)

Aactive D3 alert

An alert was sent out to Community Pharmacy NHS net emails on 13th January regarding Aactive D3 2000iu/ml drops containing higher amounts of Vitamin D3 than stated. Please check you have received the alert and taken any relevant actions.

This product is an unlicensed medicine and quality certification should be requested for unlicensed medicines or food supplements at purchase to provide assurance of the quality of the product purchased. More information about unlicensed medicines and the required assurance can be found on the Specialist Pharmacy Services website using the links below:

[Explaining the licensed status of medicines – SPS - Specialist Pharmacy Service – The first stop for professional medicines advice](#)

[Understanding complementary medicines – SPS - Specialist Pharmacy Service – The first stop for professional medicines advice](#)

[Evaluating the quality of UK Manufactured Specials – SPS - Specialist Pharmacy Service – The first stop for professional medicines advice](#)

Data Security Protection Toolkit

The Data security protection toolkit is used to make a Community Pharmacy's information governance declaration and must be completed by Friday 30th June 2025. Community Pharmacy England have published some guidance which can be viewed here [Data Security & Protection Toolkit 2025: Community Pharmacy England guidance available - Community Pharmacy England](#).

Medicine Supply Notification (MSN) for NovoRapid® (insulin aspart) FlexTouch® 100units/ml solution for injection 3ml pre-filled pens

The UPDATED Tier 2 Medicine Supply Notification (MSN) for: NovoRapid® (insulin aspart) FlexTouch® 100units/ml solution for injection 3ml pre-filled pens can be viewed on the [Medicines Supply Tool](#). The Tool also details any changes to resupply dates and updates to the entries. To access the Tool you will be required to complete free registration with the SPS Website which can be accessed here: <https://www.sps.nhs.uk/>

This information was also sent to Community Pharmacy nhs net emails on 8th January 2025.

Significant Shortages Protocols (SSPs) for Estradot

SSPs for Estradot 75 and Estradot 100 have been extended. More information about these and other SSPs can be viewed here [Serious shortage protocols \(SSPs\) | NHSBSA](#)

New Pharmacist Foundation Training Recruitment

Employer registration for the 2026-27 foundation training year is now open on ORIEL. This is now the only route for employing a foundation pharmacist. Registration closes on 1st March 2025. For more information and to register please follow this link [Pharmacy Recruitment | Health Education England London & South East Pharmacy](#)

Prescribing Hint and Tips Newsletter

Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Hints and Tips Newsletter often contains information of benefit to Community Pharmacy teams so is published on the Community Pharmacy section of the Medicines Optimisation website which can be viewed here; [Community Pharmacy - Nottinghamshire Medicines Optimisation Team](#).

The December edition includes:

- A reminder of the MHRA drug safety update regarding GLP-1 receptor agonists
- Information about ADHD medication and prescribing due to shortages.

Area Prescribing Committee (APC) Update

More self care patient leaflets have been published on the APC website. The more recent leaflets are:

- Fungal nail infection
- Oral Thrush
- Vaginal thrush
- Wart and verrucas

These leaflets support the NHS self-care agenda and can be viewed here [Patients - Nottinghamshire Area Prescribing Committee](#). If you wish to learn more about the self-care agenda there is some guidance on the APC website which can be viewed here [selfcare-guidance_nnicb.pdf](#)