

Pharmacy Opening Declaration's Easter, May & August 2021 – Please reply by 24th January

Dear Pharmacy Colleagues,

We understand that everyone is extremely busy at the moment dealing with the ongoing pressures of the COVID-19 pandemic, however we need to continue to plan for the next bank holidays.

We are gathering information regarding your proposed opening times over the Easter, May and August 2021 Bank Holidays, so that we can inform all relevant stakeholders and the general public which pharmacies will be open. Please note this email is only for pharmacies within the NHS England South East Region.

Please could you enter the proposed opening times for your pharmacy/pharmacies using the following link:

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=kp4VA8ZyI0umSq9Q55Ctv23DAIvaZe1MqXLdG7XpxmxUMURJSzVZMkITOU5LTVpHMlpXN01EQVYwOS4u

- If you have more than one pharmacy; please submit one form for each branch.
- If you intend to be closed on the Bank Holidays a declaration is still required.

We would be grateful if the **information is entered by close of play on Sunday 24**th **January 2021** so that we can collate the information and assess whether there are any gaps in pharmacy provision.

Changes to opening hours

If you are planning to amend your opening hours on normal working days you must complete a change of core or supplementary hours form and submit them to england.southeastcommunitypharmacy@nhs.net. Please note notification of changes to supplementary hours require 90 days' notice, if you would like the change to take place sooner than 90 days you need to apply for permission from NHS England.

Change of core or supplementary hours forms can be found here (Annexes 2 & 7): https://www.england.nhs.uk/primary-care/pharmacy/pharmacy-manual/pharmacy-application-forms/

Thank you for your continued support during these unprecedented times. We will await your response(s).

Kind Regards,

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