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The service, funded separately from the CPCF global sum, allows eligible patients with risk factors for severe COVID-19 to obtain test kits from community pharmacies.  The service specification is being processed for publication, but a draft version is available on the NHS Business Services Authority's (NHSBSA) website. We will release support materials tomorrow for pharmacy owners and their teams. Sign-ups for the service will begin on the NHSBSA's MYS portal on November 6th, 2023.  **Commenting on the announcement, Alastair Buxton, Director of NHS Services at Community Pharmacy England, said:** | | | | |  | | --- | | [**Continue reading**](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=fc9329909b&e=d19e9fd41c) | | | |  | | --- | |  | | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Reaffirming Labour’s pharmacy position at Conference Community Pharmacy England made significant strides in raising awareness about the challenges and potential of the pharmacy sector at this year's Labour Party conference in Liverpool. Building on our [previous efforts during the Conservative Party conference](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=d3e0e2e410&e=d19e9fd41c), we aimed to ensure that the Shadow Health Team is well-informed and supportive of community pharmacy in the lead up to the next General Election.  This was achieved through various means, including hosting events, engaging with think tanks, healthcare professional groups, and health journalists. Our Labour conference event, held in partnership with The Fabian Society, brought together Labour MPs, Councillors, patients groups, think tanks, and frontline pharmacists to discuss the pressing challenges faced by the pharmacy sector and the potential for growth if these challenges are addressed.  Elsewhere at the conference it was encouraging to hear the Shadow Health Team reaffirm their commitment to developing community pharmacies, further emphasising the sector's potential.  [Read more about our work during the party conference](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=e1ce330f0a&e=d19e9fd41c) | | | | |  | | --- | |  | | | |  | | --- | |  | | Representatives from Community Pharmacy England attended this year's Pharmacy Show to speak on panels, listen to other presentations, and talk to people working in the pharmacy sector. Throughout the duration of the show, our stand welcomed approximately 250 visitors. These included pharmacy owners, team members, and other professionals working in pharmacy and other healthcare industries.    Our leadership team, including our CEO, Janet Morrison, took part in some of the key sessions to discuss core pharmacy issues and share updates about our work in these areas. In a Q&A this afternoon Janet covered the latest on the negotiations, as well as talking about the Vision for Community Pharmacy, a report we commissioned and are looking to take forward in the coming months by engaging with influential stakeholders and raising with decision-makers. All of the conversations over the last few days help us in our work to champion community pharmacy and build a better future for the sector. | | | |  | | --- | |  | | | |  | | --- | |  | | * [Launch of Vision for Community Pharmacy that we commissioned](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=995ea4e9d9&e=d19e9fd41c) * [Our CEO’s negotiation update and blogs](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=e8a387add7&e=d19e9fd41c) * [Summary of our September Committee Meeting](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=803df8042a&e=d19e9fd41c) * [Webinar on price concessions](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=517e7073ce&e=d19e9fd41c) * [Engagement with pharmacy owners post-Committee meeting](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=c1da487aae&e=d19e9fd41c) * [P](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=db25b53863&e=d19e9fd41c)[ushed back on Atorvastatin price concessions](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=2e625b7a91&e=d19e9fd41c) * [W](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=6251059fdc&e=d19e9fd41c)[rote to Ministers to raise our concerns about changes to the Flu Vaccination Service](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=dd66dc9469&e=d19e9fd41c) * [Briefed MPs ahead of a key Parliamentary debate](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=c6e84bb875&e=d19e9fd41c) * [Talked to the national press about issues such as medicines supply, funding and pharmacy closures](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=42abff98cf&e=d19e9fd41c) * [Submitted evidence to Health Select Committee’s Pharmacy Inquiry](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=c97df85168&e=d19e9fd41c)   You can find further details on all of this on our website, [cpe.org.uk](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=4d551d72bb&e=d19e9fd41c). | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | | | |  | | --- | |  | | | |  | | --- | |  | | | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [Twitter](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=45f5d34fe2&e=d19e9fd41c) | | | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [Facebook](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=f787e3bab8&e=d19e9fd41c) | | | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [LinkedIn](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=26cf639678&e=d19e9fd41c) | | | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [Website](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=0f82c05604&e=d19e9fd41c) | | | | | | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Community Pharmacy England** Address: 14 Hosier Lane, London EC1A 9LQ Tel: 0203 1220 810 | Email: [comms.team@cpe.org.uk](mailto:comms.team@cpe.org.uk)  Copyright © 2023 Community Pharmacy England, All rights reserved.  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