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The event brought together a small group of influential and supportive MPs with community pharmacy owners, our Chief Executive and Director of NHS Services, and patient representative group Healthwatch. MPs heard about the current pressures and funding crisis in community pharmacy, as well as considering the important role community pharmacies could play as part of the prevention agenda. Community Pharmacy England Committee Members Beran Patel (an independent pharmacy owner), and Jay Patel (Executive Director of Day Lewis) were also in attendance to give their firsthand experiences and perspectives.  Community Pharmacy England will continue to build support for community pharmacy across all political parties, building on our work last year to influence the Conservative, Labour, and Liberal Democrat manifestos. | | | | |  | | --- | | [**Read more, including our CEO's comment**](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=c229ceb212&e=d19e9fd41c) | | | |  | | --- | |  | | | |  | | --- | |  | | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | It’s just over two weeks into the new Pharmacy First service, and we wanted to take a moment to thank pharmacy owners, their teams and the network of LPCs for getting this service up and running. You have worked incredibly hard to prepare for this rapid launch to meet the Government’s extremely ambitious timeline.  Teething problems are to be expected with any new service – and particularly with one that has gone from announcement to implementation in fewer than 11 weeks. You may be aware that concerns about how the service is operating have been raised by some GPs. This is disappointing, but unfortunately is not the first time this has happened when a new service aimed at taking some of the load off GPs has been launched. These isolated incidents should ideally be handled locally, and without fuelling further media coverage, and you may find our [media lines](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=f9050d7fd2&e=d19e9fd41c) helpful in doing so.  Meanwhile, you’ve been telling us a different story. There has been a significant amount of positive feedback shared with us and we encourage you to keep sharing your stories on social media, tagging us in [@ComPharmEngland](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=3bc66d51b9&e=d19e9fd41c). We’re keen to see these and highlight specific examples of how the service has helped you to better support your patients. Look out for more on this shortly.  Next week the NHS PR campaign will launch, helping raise awareness of what over 95% of community pharmacies now offer. As public behaviour begins to change, more people will go to their pharmacy first and realise just how valuable pharmacy teams are. | | | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Medicine Supply Notification: Salbutamol 2.5mg/2.5ml and 5mg/2.5ml nebuliser liquid unit dose vials The Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC) has issued a medicine supply notification for  Salbutamol 2.5mg/2.5ml and 5mg/2.5ml nebuliser liquid unit dose vials, warning of very limited supply with a resolution date to be confirmed. Relevant information and advice for pharmacy teams is highlighted in our news story.  [Find out more](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=7e6395c9b4&e=d19e9fd41c) | | | | |  | | --- | |  | | | |  | | --- | | [Community Pharmacy England banner](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=4e1139deef&e=d19e9fd41c) | | | |  | | --- | |  | | | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [Twitter](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=8f44e5186c&e=d19e9fd41c) | | | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [Facebook](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=f736557873&e=d19e9fd41c) | | | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [LinkedIn](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=643cbe931a&e=d19e9fd41c) | | | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [Website](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=e8f802a30a&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 © 2024 Community Pharmacy England, All rights reserved.  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