

Pharmacies across Hampshire & Isle of Wight - important messages to share with your teams this week and any necessary actions.

If you want to read any story in more detail, just click the link to go to the news article. Or for all articles visit: https://www.cpsc.org.uk/news/latest-cpsc-news

1. WEBINAR: LPC Monthly Webinar

Register now for the next webinar. Tuesday 21st January 2025 at 8pm

Including the usual round-up of news updates. Register here: https://cpsc.org.uk/news/latest-cpsc-news/cphiow-webinar-tuesday-21st-january-2025-8pm

2. INFORMATION: Bank Holiday Posters

Please print and display the relevant information to signpost patients to their nearest available pharmacy on the 3 bank holidays (Xmas day, Boxing day, New Years day). https://www.cpsc.org.uk/news/latest-cpsc-news/pharmacy-provision-xmas-and-new-yearbank-holidays

3. INFORMATION: New Serious Shortage Protocols Issued

SSPs have been issued for Cefalexin 125mg/5ml oral suspension sugar free and 250mg/5ml oral suspension sugar free. Valid until 31st January. https://www.cpsc.org.uk/news/latest-cpsc-news/cefalexin-ssps

4. INFORMATION: Flu Antivirals can now be prescribed on FP10

The Chief Medical Officer and Chief Pharmaceutical Officer for England have now authorised NHS prescribing of antivirals in primary care and dispensing through community pharmacy. https://www.cpsc.org.uk/news/latest-cpsc-news/prescribing-flu-antivirals-primary-care

5. INFORMATION: EHC Provision over the Xmas & New Year Period

Please ensure over Christmas that all Pharmacy staff know which local pharmacies can provide EHC and that the service is free for females of all ages including for those under 16. https://www.cpsc.org.uk/news/latest-cpsc-news/provision-emergency-contraception-during-xmas-new-year

6. INFORMATION: Medicines Supply Notices

Further supply notices have been issued this week, please make sure you are aware. https://www.cpsc.org.uk/news/latest-cpsc-news/medicines-supply-notifications-21

7. TRAINING: New Pilot FSRH Contraception Provision Course for Pharmacists

FSRH are piloting the course and want to recruit a limited number of pharmacists to join for free. https://www.cpsc.org.uk/news/latest-cpsc-news/newfsrh-contraception-provision-course-pharmacy-professionals

8. HAVE YOUR SAY: Centralised Flu Vaccine Procurement

Complete an online questionnaire to understand the current arrangements that pharmacies have in place as well as administrative workload and wastage of vaccine. The survey is open until

Tuesday 17th December 2024. https://cpsc.org.uk/news/latest-cpsc-news/have-your-say-centralised-flu-vaccine-procurement

9. HAVE YOUR SAY: NHS EDI Plan

NHS England is inviting colleagues from all four sectors of primary care to share what they would wish to see in a new EDI Improvement Plan for staff working in primary care. Closes 3rd January. https://www.cpsc.org.uk/news/latest-cpsc-news/have-your-say-new-equality-diversity-and-improvement-edi-plan-primary-care

10. REMINDER: Stay up to date

Follow us on X (CPSC (@CPSouthCentral) / X (twitter.com)) and/ or sign up for text reminders from us here: https://cpsc.org.uk/news/cpsc-text-reminder-service

11. REMINDER: Sign up CHIE, the Hampshire & IoW Shared Care Record

For access to the Hampshire Patient Shared Care Records (known as CHIE), please make sure you have signed up. Open to both employed pharmacists and locums. CHIE can be used instead of National Care Records to see patient records. https://cpsc.org.uk/news/latest-cpsc-news/access-chie-care-and-health-information-exchange-hampshire-and-isle-wight-shared-care-record-1

12. ROUND UP: Quickly scan the most recent pharmacy news summaries each week from GPhC & CPE

The CPSC home news page on our website has links to each of the newsfeeds from these organisations, meaning it's the most convenient place to quickly look-up and update yourself in a matter of minutes: https://www.cpsc.org.uk/news