



At the end of 2024, I would like to take this opportunity to thank our Community Pharmacy teams for all their hard work in supporting our patients, their families and our wider communities across Hampshire and the Isle of Wight.

It goes without saying that 2024 has been one of the most challenging years in the NHS recent history and our pharmacy teams have played a critical part in managing demand in primary care and enhancing patient outcomes.

Pharmacy First is the foundation for a new model of care, and we look forward to working with the LPC in developing this model further with appropriate investment and input.

I hope you and your families have an excellent xmas and new year.

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While we know these are challenging times for community pharmacy, we are incredibly proud of your work over the past 12 months. Hampshire and Isle of Wight is one of the strongest performers for the delivery of Pharmacy First, contraceptive services and blood pressure monitoring. This has enabled us to publicise the great work being undertaken in community pharmacy and how it has freed up thousands of appointments for other primary care services.

At NHS Hampshire and Isle of Wight, we want to work with you to pilot new initiatives and continue to make sure you are rightly recognised as one of the cornerstones of delivering care to those who need it.

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