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| **This newsletter - sent on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays - contains important information and resources to support community pharmacies across England.** |

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| **In this update: Extended period for Advanced Service claims; LPCs take part in negotiation training; Checks on Pharmacy First claims; Help us measure pharmacy pressures.** |

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| From February 2025, a new provision in the Drug Tariff will allow pharmacy owners an additional 12 months to claim payments for four Advanced services, if IT issues beyond their control delay submissions. The provision will apply to the Hypertension Case-Finding, Pharmacy Contraception, Pharmacy First, and Smoking Cessation Services.Community Pharmacy England has long been fighting for a fairer system to ensure pharmacy owners are paid for service delivery when due to IT issues, outside of their control, they have not been able to claim payments.  |

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| [**Learn more**](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=8b0016699a&e=d19e9fd41c)  |

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| Community Pharmacy England has hosted negotiation training for representatives from 35 Local Pharmaceutical Committees (LPCs) for in-person negotiation training. Building on the valuable training previously given to our Committee members and executive team, this week’s session focused on negotiating pharmacy services with local NHS and Government bodies. This training is just one of many areas of support that Community Pharmacy England offers to LPCs and a follow-up session for LPC Committee members is planned for February.[**Read more, including a statement from our Director of Member and LPC Support**](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=3f76239efa&e=d19e9fd41c) |

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| **Pharmacy First: Claims may be investigated if provision is outside of service requirements**New wording will be added to the February 2025 Drug Tariff to advise that, where there are discrepancies in the data, payments for Pharmacy First may be withheld by the NHS Business Services Authority (NHSBSA) whilst claims are investigated. Examples of possible issues include supplying an excessive quantity of medicine or providing the service to an ineligible patient.[**Learn more and read our related myth busters**](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=9bda1d6d8d&e=d19e9fd41c) |

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| The survey is split into two parts: one [for pharmacy business owners/head office representatives](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=3634fc567b&e=d19e9fd41c), and another [for pharmacy teams](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=6ae13eac73&e=d19e9fd41c). Both surveys are short and should take about 10-15 minutes to complete. They will be open until **23.59 on Friday, 28th February.**  |

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