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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: CPCF FAQs published; Join NHS England's CPCF webinar; GP Connect Access Record rollout; Tax Credit exemptions ending this week; Estradot® supply updates.** |

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| Following the announcement of the Community Pharmacy Contractual Framework (CPCF) settlement earlier this week, our teams have been very busy answering your questions.We have now released a series of supporting information and FAQs to help address some of the more common queries we're hearing, with each article below addressing a specific topic. These resources aim to offer clear, practical guidance to support the sector in navigating the changes introduced by the settlement.Click the links below to explore each article:* [**General funding FAQs**](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=2a69617b2e&e=d19e9fd41c)
* [**Summary of regulatory changes**](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=fa3620d5f2&e=d19e9fd41c)
* [**DSP regulatory FAQs**](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=66da3e9e02&e=d19e9fd41c)
* [**Core opening hours information**](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=e5e5595b2d&e=d19e9fd41c)
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| **Join the NHS England CPCF 2024/25 - 2025/26 webinar**NHS England is hosting a webinar on **Tuesday 8th April, 6pm - 7pm**, to outline the arrangements for the 2024/25 and 2025/26 CPF and to provide a forum for Q&A.The event will be hosted by Ali Sparke, Director for Dentistry, Community Pharmacy and Optometry at NHS England, and David Webb, NHS Chief Pharmaceutical Officer for England.Pharmacy owners, pharmacists and other pharmacy colleagues are invited to join this event. Registrations will close at midday on Tuesday 8th April. A link to the event will be sent to those that have registered.[**Register for this event**](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=4b16662522&e=d19e9fd41c) |

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| From Sunday 6th April, patients holding Tax Credit exemption certificates will no longer receive automatic exemption from the NHS prescription charge. The NHSBSA has released a poster to help communicate the changes to patients currently receiving tax credits.[**Read more and download the poster**](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=cd7bed624d&e=d19e9fd41c) |

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| **Rollout of GP Connect Access Record to Pharmacies**GP Connect Access Record: Structured is being rolled out to hundreds of community pharmacies. This feature enables pharmacy teams to view real-time, read-only patient information held in GP practice records, including medication history, vital signs, and investigations.The rollout is being managed by the four assured CPCF IT suppliers in collaboration with NHS England. This functionality supports clinical services like Pharmacy First by streamlining access to key patient data, improving care and efficiency.[**Learn more**](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=e85bc15f84&e=d19e9fd41c) |

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| **Estradot® Supply Updates**DHSC has issued a new Serious Shortage Protocol (SSP) for Estradot® 25 micrograms/24hrs patch. [Learn more](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=a7bcc4e421&e=d19e9fd41c)Three SSPs for other strengths of Estradot® have been further extended, now expiring on Friday 2nd May 2025. [Learn more](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=7694971aa3&e=d19e9fd41c)Meanwhile, the existing medicine supply notification for Estradiol (Estradot®) transdermal patches has been revised to provide updated resupply dates for some of these products. [Learn more](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=43b0c5a970&e=d19e9fd41c) |

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