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| **Newsletter**5th September 2025 |

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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: Have your say on 2026/27 negotiations priorities; Hub and Spoke dispensing terms; EPS fully rolled out to prison prescribers; Emergency Alert test this Sunday.** |

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| A green background with white text  AI-generated content may be incorrect.Pharmacy owners have until **11.59pm on Monday 8th September 2025** to tell Community Pharmacy England what matters most to them, helping identify what should be prioritised in future Community Pharmacy Contractual Framework (CPCF) negotiations. This is particularly important as pharmacy businesses remain in a financially precarious position despite the funding uplift earlier this year.Please use this opportunity to directly influence negotiations and ensure changes to the CPCF reflect frontline realities and ambitions. Taken alongside our strategic political influencing programme, your insights will be used to shape the Committee's preparations for the next round of negotiations. |

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| [**Take part now**](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=d06f4013c5&e=d19e9fd41c)  |

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| **Hub and Spoke dispensing NHS Terms of Service**This week, new hub and spoke dispensing Terms of Service were laid before parliament. They require certain conditions to be met before pharmacy owners can subcontract 'core dispensing activities'.The new Terms of Service come into force on 1 October, the same day as the Human Medicines Regulations 2012 (HMRs) hub and spoke changes announced in April this year . They complement each other and apply when the hub and spoke are owned by separate legal entities, by two different pharmacy owners.[**Learn more about the new Terms of Service**](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=656deaa575&e=d19e9fd41c) |

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| A green sign with white text  AI-generated content may be incorrect.NHS England has announced that the Electronic Prescription Service (EPS) has been fully extended to Detained Estate healthcare services in England. Whilst these prescriptions are expected to be relatively rare in community pharmacies, any pharmacy may receive them.**Tips on handling EPS prescriptions for released detainees:*** May be non-nominated and therefore needs to be retrieved from the NHS Spine;
* Should be processed using exemption code 0015 (HMP); and
* Must include 'HMP' or 'YOI' in the prescriber's address, as they won't be automatically exempted by the RTEC system.

👉 [**Make sure your team is prepared**](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=c2e60d7e88&e=d19e9fd41c) |

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| **🔔Reminder: Emergency Alert test this weekend**The UK Government will be carrying out a test of the Emergency Alerts system at 3pm on Sunday, 7th September 2025.The Cabinet Office is asking a wide range of public sector and health partners – including community pharmacy teams – to help them raise awareness of the planned test so that the public know what action to take. They have produced a [campaign toolkit](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=572c54ff0a&e=d19e9fd41c) to spread the word. |

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