



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

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**1. INFORMATION: Deadline Tracker for February**

The latest community pharmacy tracker - a list of activities, tasks and workloads needing to be completed, whilst also providing a reminder of imminent deadlines coming up.

<https://cpsc.org.uk/news/latest-cpsc-news/deadline-tracker-february-2>

**2. INFORMATION: Hampshire & Isle of Wight Healthcare Trust EPS Problem**

Hampshire and Isle of Wight Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust (formerly Southern Health) had some issues with their EPS system between Mon 2nd - Wed 4th Feb. This has meant that some prescriptions are showing an 'invalid prescriber' signature when pulled off the pharmacy PMR system for dispensing and will need a new script to be issued. <https://cpsc.org.uk/news/latest-cpsc-news/hampshire-and-isle-wight-healthcare-nhs-foundation-trust-eps-prescription-problem>

**3. INFORMATION: Discharge Medicines Service**

A reminder to all pharmacies, this is an **ESSENTIAL SERVICE**. As part of your NHS pharmacy contract all pharmacies **MUST DO** at least part 1 of the service when you receive a referral.

<https://cpsc.org.uk/professionals/nhs-contract/essential/discharge-medicines-service-dms>

**4. INFORMATION: Pharmacy Quality Scheme**

The Pharmacy Quality Scheme (PQS) 2025/26 declaration period is now open until 11.59pm on 27th February 2026. <https://cpsc.org.uk/news/latest-cpsc-news/pharmacy-quality-scheme-declaration-window>

**5. INFORMATION: National Recruitment Scheme via Oriel for Trainee Pharmacist**

If you intend to be part of the 2026 Foundation Trainee Pharmacist National Recruitment Scheme (NRS) for the 2027-28 training year, you must register by midday on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2026. <https://cpsc.org.uk/news/latest-cpsc-news/nationalrecruitmentschemevia-orient-trainee-pharmacist>

**6. INFORMATION: Notification of Intention to use Third Party Hub & Spoke**

From the 9<sup>th</sup> February 2026, Community Pharmacies must provide any new hub and spoke notifications via the MYS platform. <https://cpsc.org.uk/news/latest-cpsc-news/3rd-party-hub-and-spoke-notifications>

**7. INFORMATION: Private Services Survey**

Community Pharmacy Hampshire & Isle of Wight (CPHIOW) is seeking information on which pharmacies provide private services to help facilitate signposting.

<https://cpsc.org.uk/news/latest-cpsc-news/private-services-across-hiow>

**8. INFORMATION: CPPE EHC Workshop**

Face to face event for Pharmacists AND Pharmacy Technicians now available to book. Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> March, Solent hotel Whiteley. <https://www.cpsc.org.uk/news/latest-cpsc-news/local-cppe-ehc-workshop>

**9. TRAINING: Funded CPPE Accuracy Checking Technician Programme**

The programme is a fantastic opportunity for pharmacy technicians to build advanced skills, increase confidence and play a key role in supporting safe, high-quality patient care. Funded places only available until 31<sup>st</sup> March. <https://cpsc.org.uk/news/latest-cpsc-news/cppe-accuracy-checking-pharmacy-technician-acpt-programme-1>

**10. OPPORTUNITY: Research Fellowship**

The National Institute for Health and Care Research (NIHR) is recruiting a fellowship (one day a week) for pharmacists with an interest in commercial clinical research. Closing date is 1pm Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2026. <https://cpsc.org.uk/news/latest-cpsc-news/pharmacy-commercial-research-fellow-advertisement>

**11. REMINDER: Stay up to date**

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**12. 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>