



COVID-19 Update

Thursday 18th June 2020

This daily update contains important information for community pharmacy teams about the ongoing response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

In today's update: COVID-19 FAQs review; Evorel availability; June price concessions.

COVID-19 FAQ library update

PSNC continues to answer a large number of queries from community pharmacy contractors and their teams during the COVID-19 pandemic. Following a number of developments in recent weeks, we are in the process of reviewing our FAQ library.

We are now in a position to update some existing answers to common questions and will be adding some new ones shortly.

[View our updated FAQs webpage](#)

Availability of Evorel products (Theramex)

Following the recent supply problems for the Evorel range of products, **Theramex** have provided this **update**.

'In February 2020 Theramex restarted the supply of the Evorel portfolio of products. Since then we have supplied a total of over half a million packs of Evorel 25, Evorel 50, Evorel 75, Evorel 100 and Evorel Conti to the UK market.

We have now relaunched Evorel Sequi (available from June 1st). Evorel 25, Evorel 50, Evorel 75 and Evorel 100 are all currently available.

We will be restocking Evorel Conti in mid-June. It is possible we will experience intermittent supply shortages throughout the month due to high demand. There will also be a period of supply shortage for Evorel 75 from the middle to the end of June. We hope to stabilise stock levels for both products by July. We are committed to resolving these issues and being able to maintain a steady state of supply and fill backorders across the UK.'

Further information

For pharmacists and healthcare professionals who wish to place orders for the Evorel range of products, please contact Alliance Healthcare via your usual channels.

If you experience any difficulty in obtaining stock, please discuss your requirements to fulfill prescriptions with **Theramex** directly.

Theramex will continue to provide regular updates via their [website](#) and the UK Health Authorities.

June price concessions

The Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC) has granted a number of price concessions for the month of June 2020. The latest list is available at: psnc.org.uk/concessions

However, PSNC is still working with DHSC to agree further concessionary prices for some other drugs. If you have problems obtaining a Part VIII product or problems obtaining the product at the stated Drug Tariff price, please report the issue to PSNC using our [feedback form](#).

Have you seen our latest COVID-19 related FAQs?

PSNC's COVID-19 hub has an [FAQs page](#) with a large number of answers to queries posed by pharmacy contractors, their teams and LPCs. Recent additions include:

Q. Will pharmacy contractors be required to complete the Community Pharmacy Assurance Framework questionnaire 2020/21?

Currently this CPCF requirement has not been suspended by NHSE&I. PSNC is in discussions with NHSE&I on this and will communicate any further updates once a decision has been reached.

Q. I would like to stock COVID-19 test kits in my pharmacy; am I allowed to do this?

The Government has advised that it is illegal to supply COVID-19 home tests in the UK because none have so far received a CE mark. Some manufacturers are selling products intended to detect COVID-19 antibodies. These typically use a few blood drops applied to a small cassette. These tests should be available to healthcare professionals only. [Read further information from the MHRA.](#)

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