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| PSNC Newsletter |
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|  | This newsletter from PSNC is sent on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. It contains important information for those that work in the community pharmacy sector.In this update: New PM appointed; revised eRD guidance; price concessions update; C-19 autumn booster and flu vaccine campaign resources.New Prime Minister appointedRishi Sunak, MP for Richmond (Yorkshire), was announced leader of the Conservative Party earlier today. Mr Sunak will be formally appointed as Prime Minister by HM the King tomorrow and is expected to re-confirm or appoint new Ministers in the coming days. PSNC will work to engage with the new Prime Minister and relevant Government Ministers as soon as practicable, ensuring they are aware of the immense value of the community pharmacy sector.**PSNC Chief Executive Janet Morrison said:**“PSNC would like to congratulate Mr Sunak on his successful nomination as leader of the Conservative Party and imminent appointment as Prime Minister. Given his family connection to pharmacy, we are particularly looking forward to working with him and his Ministers to help the community pharmacy sector to reach its full potential to support patients and the NHS, while recognising and alleviating the enormous pressures that the entire network now faces. We look forward to working with this new Government to address these challenges.’’New Electronic Repeat Dispensing guidancePSNC's Electronic Repeat Dispensing (eRD) webpage and guidance has been updated. The updated webpage explains how the eRD process works and contains useful resources for pharmacy and general practice teams. The webpage also includes resources to support the promotion of eRD to patients, a list of frequently asked questions and links to external resources on the service. The production of this updated guidance follows extensive consultation between PSNC and eRD users.[**See the new eRD guidance and factsheets**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=d6a9da6479&e=d19e9fd41c)October 2022 Price Concessions: Third UpdateThe Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC) has granted an updated list of price concessions for October 2022. Contractors are reminded that no additional endorsements are required for price concessions and that a price concession only applies for the month in which it is granted. To hear more about how the current price concessions system operates, pharmacy teams can access a recording of PSNC’s recent webinar [**here**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=8f721f55ee&e=d19e9fd41c).[**See the updated price concessions list**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=56dee4d1ba&e=d19e9fd41c)COVID autumn booster and flu vaccine campaign resourcesAs part of its work to encourage those eligible to receive an autumn COVID booster and flu vaccination to get vaccinated as soon as possible, DHSC has published a promotional video featuring the Deputy Chief Medical Officer, Dr Thomas Waite. In addition to this, DHSC has also published a graphic on their social media outlining the eligibility for online booking of the Autumn COVID booster.[**Watch the video from the Deputy Chief Medical Officer**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=242424c84d&e=d19e9fd41c)[**See the DHSC graphic**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=ca41f0b4af&e=d19e9fd41c) |  |
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