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| |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | | | |  | | --- | |  | | PSNC Newsletter | | Monday 3rd April 2023 | | |  | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | |  |  |  | |  | 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: PSNC's prescription charge card for 2023; Reclassification of Drug Tariff lines; PSNC factsheet about NHSmail; April deadline for servicesPSNC's Prescription Charge Card for 2023 Following the Government's decision to increase the NHS prescription charge and introduce an HRT prescription prepayment certificate from 1st April 2023, PSNC has designed two posters that can be displayed in community pharmacies.  PSNC's Prescription Charge Card confirms the new NHS prescription charge of £9.65 per item, explaining that this is a tax from the Government that does not benefit the pharmacy who collects it in any way, and highlighting the cuts to pharmacy funding. Meanwhile, the Prescription Prepayment Certificate (PPC) Poster provides information on how much PPCs can save patients, as well as describing the new HRT PPC.  [**Download both posters**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=cbc5397bc2&e=d19e9fd41c) PSNC secures reclassification of some Drug Tariff lines Following representations from PSNC, the Department of Health of Social Care (DHSC) has re-determined the special container status of Colesevelam 625mg tablets (complete pack size of 180 tablets). From April 2023, the listing in Part VIII of the [**Drug Tariff**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=7836db33ca&e=d19e9fd41c) has been updated to reflect the change in special container status as it meets the relevant criteria as set out in Part II Clause 10B of the Drug Tariff.  A further 25 new products were classed as ‘Drugs for which Discount is Not Deducted’ (DND) from 1 April 2023. This took the total number of products granted DND status to over 600 products following checks made by PSNC over the past three years.  This is also part of work by PSNC's Dispensing and Supply Team to review thousands of products and successfully secure changes for hundreds of items over the past two years.  [**View the products added to DND list**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=75c3d32073&e=d19e9fd41c)  [**View the products reclassified as special containers**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=1fe6b75934&e=d19e9fd41c) PSNC factsheet about NHSmail on mobile devices PSNC’s factsheet for community pharmacy teams explains how to access the shared NHSmail inbox within the Outlook mobile app. The app enables contractors to quickly and easily access NHSmail and provides contractors with the flexibility to choose how and when they would like to be notified about incoming emails.  [**Find out more**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=8e4351c697&e=d19e9fd41c) Services and Pharmacy Quality Scheme (PQS) April deadline Community pharmacy contractors are reminded that the following services and Pharmacy Quality Scheme (PQS) deadline is approaching;   * The deadline for claiming for NMS for them to be included in a contractor’s NMS count for the gateway criterion of PQS is **April 1st to April 5th.**   [**Find out more**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=57dbe40e39&e=d19e9fd41c) |  | |  |  |  | | |
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