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| PSNC Newsletter |
| Monday 15th May 2023 |

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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: Regulatory Changes Webinar; ****Selling PPCs through pharmacy;****Dispensing and Supply updatesDon't miss our Regulatory Changes Webinar tomorrowContractors are reminded that PSNC will be running a webinar tomorrow, **Tuesday 16th May at 7pm** about the Department of Health and Social Care's (DHSC) upcoming changes to the Pharmaceutical Regulations. The webinar will cover the regulatory changes due to come into force from 25th May 2023. Gordon Hockey, Director of Legal, will outline the flexibilities for contractors to close for rest breaks and the provisions against which Integrated Care Boards (ICBs) may agree local hours plans. He will also look at business continuity plans to deal with temporary closures, and review the options for 100-hour pharmacies to reduce their core hours.[**Last chance to register**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=ad1349230e&e=d19e9fd41c)****Selling PPCs through pharmacy****The selling of PPCs is optional for pharmacies. Patients can purchase PPCs directly from the NHSBSA website, and this is the recommended route to help them identify the PPC that is right for them.* Patients can purchase an HRT PPC online at [**www.nhsbsa.nhs.uk/hrt-ppc**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=3d51d8007d&e=d19e9fd41c) or telephone 0300 330 2089.
* A standard (3 or 12-month) PPC can be purchased from [**www.nhsbsa.nhs.uk/help-nhs-prescriptioncosts/nhs-prescription-prepayment-certificate-ppc**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=de1d191645&e=d19e9fd41c) or telephone 0300 330 1341.

Both pages also describe the scenarios each type of PPC may be best suited to. If a patient is unsure or needs more guidance, they can use the [**NHSBSA's online eligibility checker**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=03002a2de4&e=d19e9fd41c).Pharmacy teams should note, selling of PPCs in pharmacy may be beneficial for patients who require assistance for example due to difficulties using and/or accessing the internet.PSNC's [**Prescription Prepayment Certificate (PPC) Poster**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=581466d7f2&e=d19e9fd41c) contains a QR code which can be scanned by a patient to take them directly to NHSBSA's website to purchase a PPC.Dispensing and Supply update**Contractor Notice: SSPs further extended**The Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC) has provided an update on the [**Clarithromycin oral suspensions SSPs**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=af6f96c13a&e=d19e9fd41c) that were due to expire on 28 April but have been further extended to **26 May 2023.** [**Find out more**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=8748d3b156&e=d19e9fd41c)**Class 1 Medicines Recall Notification:****Recall off Emerade 500 micrograms and Emerade 300 micrograms auto-injectors**, due to the potential for device failure. [**Find out more**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=c0e2faedf6&e=d19e9fd41c) |  |
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