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The latest developments are as follows:   * **Pharmacy First PGDs** - NHS England has published drafts of the 23 Patient Group Directions (PGDs) and one protocol for use by pharmacists to authorise supply of medicines at NHS expense, where clinically appropriate, as part of the Pharmacy First service: [Read more](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=d5ce025a66&e=d19e9fd41c) * **Contraception service expansion** - The expansion of the Pharmacy Contraception Service enabling pharmacists to initiate oral contraception can begin from today: [Read more](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=26e9b6e76f&e=d19e9fd41c) * **HCF skill mix changes** - From today, suitable trained and competent pharmacy staff (pharmacists, pharmacy technicians and other non-registered members of the pharmacy team) can provide the Hypertension Case-Finding Service: [Read more](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=e2e7095393&e=d19e9fd41c) | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | | In the coming weeks we will be holding a series of webinars for pharmacy teams on these services, with support from NHS England and the Centre for Postgraduate Education (CPPE). | | | |  | | --- | | [**Book your place in advance**](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=1e645bb24b&e=d19e9fd41c) | | | |  | | --- | |  | | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Community Pharmacy England calls for financial support following increase in the National Living Wage Community Pharmacy England has today written to the Chancellor, expressing deep concern regarding the financial impact of the proposed increase in the National Living Wage (NLW) for 2024.  In last week’s Autumn Statement, the Chancellor announced that the NLW is set to increase from £10.42 to £11.44. We estimate that the additional cost to the community pharmacy sector of implementing this uplift is between £150m – £195m. In her letter, our CEO clearly emphasises our position that expecting pharmacies to absorb these extra costs is not sustainable, particularly when underlying core funding remains at critically low levels.  **Janet Morrison OBE, CEO of Community Pharmacy England, said:** | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | | | |  | | --- | | [**Read more**](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=c729c6d519&e=d19e9fd41c) | | | |  | | --- | |  | | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Committee negotiating asks discussions informed by pharmacy owners at November Meeting Community Pharmacy England met in London for a full Committee Meeting on 22nd and 23rd November 2023. First and foremost, the Committee heard about and helped feed into all the work that the Community Pharmacy England team is planning to help guide pharmacy owners and their teams on the journey to implement the Pharmacy First service.  Just as important was the consideration of core asks for the 2024/25 Community Pharmacy Contractual Framework (CPCF) shaped by our recent polling of pharmacy owners as well as Committee Members' own experiences. | | | | |  | | --- | | [**Read more, including the full meeting summary**](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=70f01e50ea&e=d19e9fd41c) | | | |  | | --- | |  | | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Drug Tariff Watch – December 2023 The Drug Tariff Preface published monthly lists additions, deletions and other changes to products listed in the Drug Tariff. To help pharmacy owners navigate this, we have published a summary of the Drug Tariff changes coming into effect from today, 1st December 2023.  [View the summary](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=ab85e85657&e=d19e9fd41c)  **Please note, there are no price concessions that rolled over from November 2023 to December 2023.** | | | | |  | | --- | |  | | | |  | | --- | | [Community Pharmacy England banner](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=a78a6ecbec&e=d19e9fd41c) | | | |  | | --- | |  | | | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [Twitter](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=b7ef3f7f5a&e=d19e9fd41c) | | | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [Facebook](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=09a9febf48&e=d19e9fd41c) | | | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [LinkedIn](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=1c570d7281&e=d19e9fd41c) | | | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [Website](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=648780de58&e=d19e9fd41c) | | | | | | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Community Pharmacy England** Address: 14 Hosier Lane, London EC1A 9LQ Tel: 0203 1220 810 | Email: [comms.team@cpe.org.uk](mailto:comms.team@cpe.org.uk)  Copyright © 2023 Community Pharmacy England, All rights reserved.  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