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| **This newsletter - sent on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays - contains important information and resources to support community pharmacies across England.** |

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| **In this update: Latest on CPCF Negotiations; Updated Approved Particulars; Last few days for CPAF screening; Dispensing and Supply updates.** |

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| Community Pharmacy England continues to make the case for the community pharmacy sector following the General Election, but negotiations are not expected to resume before September. Urgent representations have been made to Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC) and NHS England regarding Pharmacy First thresholds and ongoing funding challenges. We have also written to the new Secretary of State, Wes Streeting, Pharmacy Minister, Stephen Kinnock, and Chancellor of the Exchequer, Rachel Reeves.After the Chancellor’s recent [announcement](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=2a9d1e4c46&e=d19e9fd41c) about the economy, there will likely need to be further discussions with HM Treasury on the funding available for the DHSC and the NHS including primary care. It is Community Pharmacy England’s view that DHSC and NHS England are unlikely to be in a position to re-engage in negotiations on the 2024/25 contract until this process has concluded – and that they are therefore unlikely to re-commence before September. **Influencing work**Community Pharmacy England has presented extensive economic analysis to the Government and NHS as part of the most recent negotiations, showing the financial distress of community pharmacies. We have also been working with PA Consulting, an independent consultancy with extensive experience working across Government, to carry out an analysis of the funding requirements, a cost-benefit analysis of the value delivered, and the business case for future investment in the sector.Alongside this, political engagement with the new Parliament has involved contacting MPs, planning a Parliamentary event for September, and briefing politicians ahead of a pharmacy debate and Parliamentary Health Questions. |

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| [**Read more, including our CEO's statement**](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=d137cff047&e=d19e9fd41c)  |

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| **Updated Incident Reporting Approved Particulars published**The Incident Reporting Approved Particulars, which were previously delayed, have now been published on NHS England's website. Broadly, the updated information confirms existing expectations and practice. [Learn more](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=f4aecb0016&e=d19e9fd41c)  |

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| **Reminder: 2023/24 CPAF screening questionnaire closes on Tuesday**The deadline is fast approaching for remaining pharmacies to submit their Community Pharmacy Assurance Framework (CPAF) screening questionnaire. With the survey closing at **midnight on Tuesday (30th July)**, we strongly recommend pharmacy owners complete it as soon as possible. It should take approximately 10-20 minutes to do.[Learn more](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=39e15176ac&e=d19e9fd41c) |

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| **Dispensing and Supply Updates****National Patient Safety Alert: Shortage of Kay-Cee-L®**DHSC has issued a National Patient Safety Alert to update healthcare providers on the shortage of Kay-Cee-L® (potassium chloride 375mg/5ml) (potassium chloride 5mmol/5ml) syrup, due to a manufacturing process change. It will be out of stock from late September 2024, with the resupply date to be confirmed. [L](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=4f0984620c&e=d19e9fd41c)[earn more](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=2637a50d69&e=d19e9fd41c) **MHRA Class 4 Medicines Defect Information**The Medicines and Health products Regulatory Agency (MHRA) has issued a defect notification for Co-trimoxazole 80mg/400mg per 5ml adult suspension (Aspen Pharma Trading Limited) due to a product description error in the Patient Information Leaflet.  [Learn more](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=f03ee5a2e9&e=d19e9fd41c) |

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