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In a letter to Health Secretary Wes Streeting MP, Community Pharmacy England, the Company Chemists’ Association (CCA), the Independent Pharmacies Association (IPA), and the National Pharmacy Association (NPA) cautioned that without government support, these costs could push more pharmacies toward insolvency, leading to closures and cuts to vital patient services.  [Analysis by Community Pharmacy England](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=e4c37b9739&e=d19e9fd41c) found that the National Insurance increase will cost pharmacies an estimated £50 million, while wage increases could add £115-152 million. Unlike other businesses, pharmacies cannot put up prices for their patients, meaning that they may be forced to reduce hours or shut altogether, leading to increased strain on NHS services.  The joint appeal has gained significant media attention, with coverage in outlets such as [The Telegraph](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=ac58d15def&e=d19e9fd41c), [Mirror](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=2a2b69dff8&e=d19e9fd41c), [The Mail](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=288b8bcdfd&e=d19e9fd41c), [Good Morning Britain](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=0a2f9ac2d1&e=d19e9fd41c), [ITV News](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=1244c8d43d&e=d19e9fd41c), [Express & Star](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=28250ff2f6&e=d19e9fd41c), [Chronicle Live](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=2a6ba74c19&e=d19e9fd41c), [Eastern Daily Press](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=64b1012ed0&e=d19e9fd41c) and, [Radio News Hub](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=ab31b497b3&e=d19e9fd41c). It was also featured on GB News and mentioned in news bulletins on LBC News and Talk Radio. | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [**Read more, including a statement from our CEO Janet Morrison**](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=a62fbd4308&e=d19e9fd41c) | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A blue background with text and a picture of a tower  Description automatically generated | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Community Pharmacy England has been working to ensure Parliament fully understands the impact of the Autumn Budget changes on pharmacies while arguing once again that a funding uplift is urgently needed**.**  In light of ongoing pressures across the sector, we have published updated guidance to help pharmacy owners and LPCs engage with their local MPs over the winter period.  [Guidance for writing to your MP](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=4632212829&e=d19e9fd41c)  This briefing sets out guidance for writing to local MPs. Personal letters and emails are much more powerful than a template letter in getting your MP onside, so we have deliberately produced this guidance rather than writing a template letter.   [General MP visit guidance](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=6d2cfa77e5&e=d19e9fd41c)  This extensive guidance aims to help with pharmacy visits or meetings with politicians. It also includes template invite letters, follow up actions, and a draft local press release.    [Recent MP briefings](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=b4be3ad389&e=d19e9fd41c)   We have produced various MP briefings since the start of the current parliament. The latest briefing is our [Autumn Budget 2024 briefing note](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=95d3a99c0e&e=d19e9fd41c). These briefings can be attached to email correspondence or given to MPs at an in-person pharmacy visit. | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Can you help with user research about pharmacy IT?**  NHS England is seeking input from community pharmacy owners and teams through virtual user research interviews (25–40 minutes) on key pharmacy IT topics.   To participate or learn more, email [it@cpe.org.uk](mailto:it@cpe.org.uk) and specify which research project(s) you would like to contribute to.  [Learn more and v](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=db6b655bdc&e=d19e9fd41c)[iew key areas](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=530b9fbdaf&e=d19e9fd41c) | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Dispensing and Supply Updates**  **Drug Tariff Watch – December 2024** The Drug Tariff Preface published monthly lists additions, deletions and other changes to products listed in the Drug Tariff. [View the summary of the changes coming into effect from 1st December 2024](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=0bc3d28d61&e=d19e9fd41c)  **November 2024 Price Concessions 4th Update** Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC) has released the price concessions list for November 2024. Note that this is not the final update for November. We are still working with the DHSC to agree concessionary prices for other drugs reported to be unavailable at the stated November 2024 Drug Tariff prices. [V](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=238bde2d59&e=d19e9fd41c)[iew the concessions list](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=d5cbb7d59e&e=d19e9fd41c) | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [Community Pharmacy England banner](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=c50cd953c8&e=d19e9fd41c) | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | | | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [Twitter](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=f8d7e733f4&e=d19e9fd41c) | | | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [Facebook](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=c2484752b0&e=d19e9fd41c) | | | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [LinkedIn](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=d2a6eb4ecf&e=d19e9fd41c) | | | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [Website](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=81ff8da921&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 © 2024 Community Pharmacy England, All rights reserved.*  You are receiving this email because you are subscribed to our newsletters. 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