

**BARNET, ENFIELD &  
HARINGEY  
LOCAL PHARMACEUTICAL COMMITTEE**

**ANNUAL STATEMENT  
2021 / 2022**

**Review of the period**

**1<sup>st</sup> April 2021 - 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022**

Barnet, Enfield & Haringey Local Pharmaceutical Committee  
is a constituent member of the Middlesex Pharmaceutical Group

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## The Local Pharmaceutical Committee

Barnet, Enfield & Haringey LPC is an 18-member Committee comprising twelve representatives of independent contractors (4 from each borough area), 4 representatives of the Company Chemists Association 1 representative of employee pharmacists working for Independent and CCA contractors in the area, and one appointed LPS contractor. The Committee represents all 190 pharmacies (76 in Barnet; 57 in Enfield, and 57 in Haringey) including 3 distance selling pharmacies in Haringey and 1 distance selling pharmacy in Enfield and 1 distance selling pharmacy in Barnet in contract with NHS England as: -

Asda	2	Boots	17	Lloyds	6
Morrisons	2	Superdrug	2	Tesco	5
Well Pharmacy	3				
<b>Total CCA</b>	<b>(19%) 37</b>			<b>Non -CCA</b>	<b>153</b>

There are no chains representing more than 5% of non-CCA contractors across the LPC area. The LPC reviews its corporate governance procedures on a regular basis and all members are required to complete declarations of interest and to adhere to a code of conduct that includes a confidentiality agreement.

As the country emerged from the pandemic, the Committee met on four occasions during the year virtually by Zoom. Many members are also represented on several other committees, some of which are constituted jointly with the LPC. A membership list for the year of the report can found below: -

### LPC membership 2021-2022

MEMBER	CATEGORY	PHARMACY REPRESENTED	Contact tel. no
Mrs Farah Ali [V.Chair-Barnet]	Independent	Warman Freed, 45 Golders Green Rd., NW11 8EL	020 8455 4351
Mr. Amar Abbas	CCA	Boots UK Ltd 1261-1275High Road, Whetstone N20 9HS	020 8446 3589
Mr.Gerald Alexander [Chairman]	Independent	Prima Pharmacy, Bells Hill, Barnet, EN5 2TB	07771642146
Mrs.Priti Chavda	Employee Rep	Michael Franklin Ltd, Green Lanes, Winchmore Hill N21 3RE	020 8360 1037
Mr.Amish Chikhliya [V.Chair-Haringey]	Independent	Napclan (UK) Ltd, High Rd, Tottenham N17 6SB	020 8808 3291
Ms. Philomena Clement (from 20.04.21)	CCA	Superdrug Pharmacy, 21 Market Square Edmonton Green N9 0TZ	0208 803 1919
Mr. Riaz Esmail	LPS	Fairview Pharmacy, FMH Granville Rd, Finchley, N12 0JE	07956331392
Mr.Suresh Hirani	Independent	Hyperchem Ltd, Ordnance Road Enfield Lock EN3 6AE	01992 710749
Mr R. Mehraliyev (resigned20.04.21)	CCA	Well Pharmacy, 66 Silver Street, Enfield EN1 3EP	020 8363 0823
Ms Louwin Nhamoinesu	CCA	Lloydspharmacy, Highlands Village Winchmore Hill N21 1UJ	020 8360 8560
Ms. Avni Patel	Independent	Oakleigh Pharmacy, Oakleigh Rd. North, Whetstone N20 0XT	020 8361 8681
Mr.Jay C.Patel	Independent	Lamis Pharmacy, Village Rd, Bush Hill Park EN1 2HB	020 8360 2212
Mr.Nimish Patel [V.Chair-Enfield]	Independent	Mansons Chemist Ltd, High Rd, SouthTottenham N15 6JR	020 8449 7558
Mr.Neil Sanghvi	Independent	Reena Pharmacy, 222 Regents Park Road, N3 3NP	020 8346 3532
Mr.Atul Shah	Independent	Aldermans Pharmacy 38-40 Aldermans Hill, London N13 4PN	020 8886 5511
Mr.Manoj Shah	Independent	Walker Chemist, Green Lanes, Palmers Green N13 5XG	020 8886 2561
Mr.Nishit Shah	CCA	Morrisons PLC, 21 Hillcrest, Hatfield AL10 8EZ	Via LPC office
Mr.David Winton	Independent	The Cadge Pharmacy, Philip Lane, Tottenham N15 4JR	020 8808 2740

### The pharmacy contract

In this year-end update, we reflect on what has been a challenging year we have faced coming out of the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic on all levels – personal, professional, financial, mental and health perspectives. The challenge for the LPC and for pharmacy teams to recover normal activity against the backdrop of Covid-19. The onset of Covid-19 in 2020 was the biggest health crises to have faced the pharmacy sector in the 21 century, the NHS, and the nation in general. Our work in 2020-21 and into 2022 has been influenced by the coronavirus pandemic, and many of our activities have been a direct response to the crisis.

Community pharmacy contractors have delivered for our patients and the NHS. Pharmacy teams have gone beyond the extra mile, performing to the highest standards of patient care throughout the pandemic, in most difficult conditions. Community Pharmacy has rightly made the claim we are the health care professionals to have kept our doors open to the public throughout the pandemic. Contractors and all staff in the community pharmacy sector has provided outstanding patient care, making decisions in the best interests of the pharmacy team and patients by using good professional judgement and taking a pragmatic approach to pharmacy practice. This outstanding work, dedication, and courage of each one of our contractors has been exemplary. The LPC has worked tirelessly on contractor's behalf. The LPC consulted with our local commissioners, the CCG's, and Local Authorities, to help reduce any COVID related changes in service that might damage the pharmacy businesses. Throughout these challenging times the LPC continued to promote and support community pharmacy contractors locally to represent your interests, also providing you with the resources and support needed to address the challenging issues you have faced.

Our team has supported you through hundreds of your questions/queries weekly by phone and email. We have worked hard to support you with essential regulatory and practical areas of community pharmacy practice in the form of relevant resources, updates, patient safety, risk

assessments, flu service, Pharmacy Quality Scheme, and Controlled Drugs. We are here to continue to support you during 2022 and beyond. A significant issue affecting contractors in 2021-2022 is that of workforce. The recruitment and retention of pharmacists in the community pharmacy network has been a challenge, because of many pharmacists being recruited to join PCNs as pharmacist advisors and to GP practices. The result of this change has been that our pharmacies have often applied to reduce and change their supplementary hours through the lack of locums and staff availability. LPC has of course advised our contractors how to make application to reduce hours to NHSE&I. The LPC has provided help and communications to contractors to assist the submission of claims to the Pharmacy Quality Scheme (PQS). The LPC has supported contractors with COVID-19 vaccination programme – community pharmacy involvement, COVID-19, contractual matters, flu vaccination support, PQS support, dealing with drug shortages. We continue to work with primary and secondary care colleagues to implement the GP Community Pharmacist Consultation Service (GPCPCS) and the Discharge Medicines Service (DMS) from secondary care. The Middlesex Group executive staff members mapped all the PCNs within each LPC Borough areas, including all the surgeries within each PCN. They continue to help pharmacies within a PCN to which an individual pharmacy needed to be aligned. From each group of aligned pharmacies to each individual PCN the office help with the appointment of a lead pharmacist to make sure PQS payments were maximised. All this work assisted individual pharmacies claim quality points in the Pharmacy Quality Scheme. A mix of Local Enhanced Public Health and Pharmacy Services are provided across the BEH LPC area by pharmacy contractors; these are smoking cessation, with the exclusion of Enfield, sexual health services, including emergency hormonal contraception, needle exchange, supervised consumption of opiates, and public holiday rotas. In Haringey, the Healthy Living Pharmacy (HLP) Programme, which includes sexual health services covers the over 25 age group in addition to the below 25 age group. This service includes the testing and treatment of Chlamydia, testing for Gonorrhoea and the supply of condoms. This expanded service now offers in addition HIV testing and counselling to clients with a reactive test. A Hepatitis B and C testing service is available to intravenous drug users via a pilot scheme in some pharmacies across Haringey, with Hepatitis B vaccination as appropriate. The LPC is a constituent member of the Haringey HLP Steering Group, meet occasionally to monitor the implementation of these enhanced public health services within Health Living Pharmacies. The group evaluates the services provided by Healthy Living Pharmacies. Stop Smoking Services are provided through the HLP scheme. The Haringey minor ailments scheme continued as part of a new Pharmacy First Scheme within North Central London ICS area with Camden and Islington taking part, but Barnet and Enfield were yet to join. This scheme was more restricted than its predecessor in that the service is targeted at the socially vulnerable.

The Pharmaceutical Needs Assessments (PNAs) for each of the Boroughs of Barnet Enfield and Haringey areas represent an accurate picture of pharmaceutical provision within these borough areas and how that provision meets the needs of people in this locality. The LPC relies on the PNA data to respond to new applications for Market Entry (formerly Control of Entry). The PNA describes pharmaceutical services within these boroughs as adequate. Applications and changes of pharmacies are described under the “Contract Applications and Changes” section of this report. The last PNAs were published by April 2018. The next PNAs were due to be published in April 2021, but the DHSC has set the timetable back by more than one year due to the pandemic. A publication date has been set at October 2022. The LPC team are very much involved in helping create the 2022 PNA as the LPC sent a representative to the Steering Groups set up by each local authority to develop the most up to date PNA. The PNAs help inform the Middlesex Group Executive Team to respond on behalf of the various committees to new applications for contract. Further information can be obtained by direct application to the LPC office. The LPC supports existing contractors by providing opinion to contract applications. The LPC’s Chief Executive responds on behalf of the LPC to contract applications to NHS England and to the *FHS Appeal Unit at NHS Litigation Authority*. This activity has always been a major function of the LPC and as such the office has endeavoured to assist contractors with information and advice in relation to new contract applications and applications for relocation. The Barnet, Enfield and Haringey LPC, through the Middlesex Group, endeavours to maintain and support community pharmacy contractors in delivering high quality services to their patients and the public. Pharmacy-based local services are often considered to be *necessary services or relevant services* within the context of the PNAs. It is stated in the 2018 PNAs that the distribution and access to pharmaceutical services provided as essential services within the NHS contractual framework by community pharmacies in the Boroughs of the LPC area, meet the needs of the resident population within these Boroughs. The likelihood of a similar statement in all three Borough PNAs is very strong. The Chief Executive regularly communicates with contractors advising them to check their supplementary hours in order that they may give 90 days’ notification of closure should a Bank Holiday or part of Christmas Holiday fall when there is little need to open. The LPC’s continuing strategy for our contractors has been to help improve local pharmacy and public health services by implementing, where possible, new innovative services through community pharmacies. The LPC is continuing to work hard to maintain existing services, but this is against the backdrop of the NHS and Local Authorities not extending commissioning some pharmacy services. The LPC will endeavour to seek and implement new services where possible, through community pharmacies. The most successful example has been that the Middlesex Group of LPCs has collaborated with colleagues in Pharmacy London and with Public Health in NHS England London Area Team to establish and now maintain a successful Flu Vaccination Service across all London Boroughs. This service is now a national advanced service, but elements of the vaccination service such as pneumonia vaccinations are still managed locally by the LPCs in the London Vaccination service. The office receives many enquiries about the service detail from contractors during the season. This service for those participating contractors provided circa some 571,700 flu vaccinations across London as part of the National Influenza Vaccination Programme within Community Pharmacy which provided 4,851,608 in the period until the vaccination season had ended at the end of March 2022. There were 2,200 PPV vaccinations in London in the same period. Considerable growth had been achieved in flu vaccinations numbers by community pharmacy. The work of the LPC over several years has led to the use of community pharmacy for Covid-19 Vaccination, which has assisted the national effort and the local primary care response to Covid vaccination. Across London about pneumonia vaccinations and meningitis vaccinations were carried out in community pharmacies too. The Chief Executive, Michael Levitan has put in the hard work and effort into maintaining a successful and increasing service. NHS pharmacy contract monitoring responsibility resides with the London Area Team of NHS England. The LPC has often helped contractors meet their contractual obligations by providing advice as to how to complete the annual CPAF questionnaire sent out to all contractors by NHS England. The LPC has made appropriate representations to the Area Team. The LPC will continue to support and encourage our contractors. The LPC has continued to check realistic service fees and negotiate reasonable terms of service with local commissioners.

Community pharmacy, however, will respond to future challenges in providing innovative and demonstrable services which meet the current NHS criteria. The LPC will continue to support and encourage our contractors. The NHS pharmacy contract monitoring responsibility resides with the London Area Team of NHS England.

## Contract applications and changes

In Barnet, an application to transfer ownership of ABC Ltd at 2a Hartley Avenue Mill Hill London NW7 2HX to Day Lewis was received by NHSE&I in December 2020. The transfer took place in April 2021. An application to transfer ownership of CK Pharmacy was received by NHSE&I in November 2021 to Sabel Chemist Ltd at 9 Church Road London NW4 4EB. Ownership was transferred in January 2022. A consolidation of two pharmacies was applied for by Regal Healthcare t/a Carters Pharmacy of 321 Ballards Lane N12 8LT to NHSE&I to continue trading from this site but to close the pharmacy at Torrington Park Health Centre, Torrington Park, London N12 9SS. NHSE&I approved the application in March 2022 and within the time period of this review the consolidation was yet to take place. The pharmacy at 768 Finchley Road, Golders Green t/a Landys/Templars applied to close to NHSE&I. The closure took place on 1<sup>st</sup> January 2022. In Enfield, White Lodge Medical Services Ltd. which has sought permission from NHSE to move premises under the “no significant change relocation” rule to 105-109 Chase Side Enfield EN2 6NL from Silver Street Enfield, NHSE approved this application in January 2017, this application remained live because the application had been replaced in August 2018 and again in June 2020 and again in May 2021. The relocation finally took place in July 2021. In July 2020, an application to NHSE&I was received from Electra Prescribing Services Ltd for a no significant change relocation and a change of ownership of Pyramid Pharmacy to the Alma Road Health Centre at 1 Woodall Road EN3 4GS from the address in South Street. The application was approved in October 2020 and the pharmacy opened at the new site in December 2021. An application from Caplet Pharma Ltd was received by NHSE&I in January 2021 to open a new distance selling pharmacy at Unit 7, 52 Alexandra Road Enfield EN3 7EH, application has been subsequently approved by NHSE in May 2021, and the pharmacy opened in October 2021. The same pharmacy applied to NHSE&I to apply to NHSE&I for a no significant change relocation in November 2021. This application was subsequently approved by NHSE&I in January 2022 and by April 2022 the relocation had taken place to 133 High Road London N11 1PP. De Globe Healthcare Ltd a DSP applied in November 2021 to NHSE&I for a no significant change relocation from Unit A29/31 Hastingswood Trading Estate, Harbet Road N18 3HT. The relocation took place to Unit A21 at the same address in April 2022. Rockys Pharmacy at 14 Kendall Parade Silver Street Edmonton London N18 1ND applied to NHSE&I in May 2021 to transfer Ownership to Wellcare Ltd (H. Weald Ltd). In July 2021, the ownership of the business was transferred. In Haringey in March 2020 Park Road Pharmacy at 27 Veryan Court Park Road, Hornsey, N8 8JR transferred ownership to HR Pharmacy Ltd T/A Petter Pharmacy. This was a 100hour service pharmacy. An application to NHSE&I in December 2020 by Pharmacy Naturale (owned by Petter Pharmacy/HR Pharmacy Ltd) was made for a no significant change relocation to the pharmacy premises at 27 Veryan Court Park Road, Hornsey N8 8JR. The application was granted in April 2021 alongside a notice being received to close and relinquish the 100hour pharmacy contract at Park Road Pharmacy trading from the same address. The final transfer of pharmacy contract took place on 7<sup>th</sup> June 2021.

## Barnet, Enfield & Haringey prescription statistics 2021-2022

1	Number of items	14,833,451	7	Percentage discount of basic price	7.12%
	<a href="#">England 2021-22</a>	<a href="#">1,042,146,843</a>		<a href="#">England 2021-22</a>	<a href="#">6.93%</a>
2	Number of prescriptions (fees)	14,969,799	8	Net cost including container payment* £ p	109,550,045.99
	<a href="#">England 2021-22</a>	<a href="#">1,055,799,667</a>		<a href="#">England 2021-22</a>	<a href="#">7,834,262,080.57</a>
3	Total of basic prices £ p	117,361,943.38	9	Average net cost per prescription (8/2) £ p	7.32
	<a href="#">England 2021-22</a>	<a href="#">8,388,369,036.61</a>		<a href="#">England 2021-22</a>	<a href="#">7.42</a>
4	Average basic cost per prescription (3/2) £ p	7.84	10	Fees £ p	24,578,019.26
	<a href="#">England 2021- 22</a>	<a href="#">7.95</a>		<a href="#">England 2021-22</a>	<a href="#">1,708,550,605.93</a>
5	Total discount £ p	8,352,802.81	11	Average fee per prescription £ p	1.64
	<a href="#">England 2021-22</a>	<a href="#">581,146,941.56</a>		<a href="#">England 2021-22</a>	<a href="#">1.62</a>
6	Average discount per prescription (5/2) £ p	0.56	12	Payment for consumables** £ p	185,625.26
	<a href="#">England 2021-22</a>	<a href="#">0.55</a>		<a href="#">England 2021-22</a>	<a href="#">13,091,915.10</a>

\*Including container payment and out of pocket expenses. \*\*Payment for consumables formerly container allowance

## Middlesex Pharmaceutical Group

Each of the Middlesex LPCs (Barnet, Enfield & Haringey; Brent & Harrow; Ealing, Hammersmith & Hounslow; Hillingdon) appoints members (normally the Chairman, Vice-Chairman and one other member) to the Middlesex Pharmaceutical Group. The Group acts as a co-ordinating umbrella organisation for the constituent LPCs and appoints its own Chairman (Hiten Patel, Chairman, Ealing, Hammersmith & Hounslow LPC), Vice-Chairman (Shabbir Panju, Chairman, Brent and Harrow LPC) and Group Treasurer (Robert Curd, member, Ealing, Hammersmith & Hounslow LPC). The LPCs share a Chief Executive & Secretary (Michael Levitan), Office manager and PA to the Chief Executive (Becky McCabe who retired in early 2022, we were joined by Emma Nairn who filled this role in January 2022), part time Finance Controller (Judi Waldman), part time Committee Secretary (Joan Penwill), part time Secretarial Assistant (Reena Shah) and part-time consultant pharmacists (Gerald Alexander and Vasundra Tailor) part time Liaison and Engagement Clinical Development Pharmacist (Subrina Ramdarshan). We have been joined by two part time pharmacist colleagues Mrs Marsha Alter and Mrs Shivali Lakhani who have taken temporary posts which include research for NIHR (National Institute of Health Research). All staff members work from the one secretariat office in Whetstone.

## Pharmacy London

The Middlesex Group of LPCs are founder members of Pharmacy London (PL) which is a forum of the Local Pharmaceutical Committees who represent London's community pharmacies. The Association was formed to give London LPCs the opportunity to exchange matters of interest together, on a regular basis, to take a strategic view of the development and implementation of pharmaceutical services across London. Pharmacy London discuss operational matters that promote good practice. Between them, Pharmacy London represents approximately 1460 pharmacies, except for a part of East London. As London accounts for nearly 15% of the population of England and its pharmacies dispense tens of millions of prescriptions, Pharmacy London sees itself as representing the most accessed healthcare professionals in the health economy. Services delivered from community pharmacy across the city have evolved over the past 15 years to become an essential part of the NHS and Public Health infrastructure, providing Londoners with quality healthcare provision where and when they need it. Each London LPC appoints two members to the Forum, usually the Secretary, Chairman and/or Vice-Chairman. Pharmacy London meets around six times a year in a variety of locations. Normally sponsorship helps meet the costs of Pharmacy London meetings. The elected Chairman for PL is Mr. Raj Matharu; he is the CEO of Bexley Bromley Greenwich LPC. PL's CEO and Secretary is Mr Amit Patel. The Treasurer is Michael Levitan, Chief Executive and Secretary to the Middlesex Group of LPCs.



