

Community Pharmacy H&F Newsletter

June 2025 Edition

Community Pharmacy H&F — Stay up to date with the latest LPC updates and service deadlines

Key Dates & Deadlines

1st June 2025

Pharmacy First

- New caps in effect — Check NHSBSA website.
- Fixed payments: £500 for 20–29 consultations; £1,000 for 30+.
- One-month claim window starts — Claims for March–May must be submitted by 30th June.
- Must be registered to deliver HCFS, PCS, and Pharmacy First - [achieve the fixed payment](#)

COVID-19 & Flu

- New PoC IT Supplier Framework for Autumn/Winter 2025/26. - <https://cpe.org.uk/our-news/nhs-england-launches-vaccine-it-system-framework/>

12th June 2025

DMS

- New streamlined claims process starts 6th July 2025.

30th June 2025 – Final Deadline Day

- Complete DSP Toolkit submission - [Data Security and Protection Toolkit](#).
- Update NHS Website/DoS Profile. – [NHS website](#)
- Submit all DMS activity before deadline.
- Final day to claim Pharmacy First for March–May.

1st July 2025

- Use new DMS system from 6th July.
- PQS aspiration payments issued.

6th July 2025

- New DMS claims process begins - [DMS claim journey](#)



Pharmacy First: Monthly Payment Update

- £500 for 20–29 consultations/month.
- £1,000 for 30+ consultations/month.
- Must claim within one month of service delivery.
- Bundling requirements phase-in from June 2025 to March 2026.



Pharmacy Contraception Service (PCS) Updates

- Consultation fee raised to £25 from April 2025.
- Technician provision pending NHS updates.
- Drospirenone & EHC additions planned – wait for further updates.
- National service may replace local EHC services.



Core Opening Hours – New Application Route

- Simplified from 23rd June – based on regular patient needs.
- ICBs must consider pharmacy business needs.
- See Briefing 013/25 for full guidance
[Briefing 013/25: Regulatory Changes in June 2025 – DSPs, Opening Hours, etc.](#)



Training & Research

MPG training resources: <https://www.middlesexlpcs.org.uk>

PHARMACY SHIFT Study: Welcome to the **PHARMACY SHIFT** Study by Imperial College London Self-Care Academic Research Unit (SCARU).

The aim of this study is to explore the role of pharmacists in supporting patient self-care. This includes the use of over-the-counter (OTC) medicines, lifestyle

changes, self-monitoring tools & digital health resources (e.g., NHS App, symptom checkers, health apps).

The aim is to understand better the services pharmacists provide, the challenges they face & opportunities to enhance pharmacy-based delivery of self-care information, products & services.

Imperial will be collecting data from around the world using an anonymous survey (available in 11 languages):

https://imperial.eu.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_cB0jqK3C6xh7HQa

The survey will take approximately 10 minutes to complete. All responses are anonymous & confidential & no identifiable information will be collected. For more details, please refer to the [Participant Information Sheet](#).

Thank you for your valuable contribution to this important research.

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Resources

CPPE Training:

- Blood Pressure: <https://www.cppe.ac.uk/programmes/l/blood-ec-02>
- Contraception: <https://www.cppe.ac.uk/programmes/l/contracep-ew-01>

See attached CPPE flyer for new programmes available from CPPE for 25/26.

Order free promotional materials:

<https://campaignresources.dhsc.gov.uk/search/>

Drug Tariff Watch: <https://cpe.org.uk/our-news/drug-tariff-watch-june-2025/>

SSPs Info: <https://www.nhsbsa.nhs.uk/serious-shortage-protocols-ssps>

Connect with Us

We here at the LPC office support all MPG contractors and pharmacy teams. We would love to hear any feedback you may have about your LPC and if there is anything you would like raised at our next Committee meeting.

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<https://chat.whatsapp.com/LM5nlQPK0vF2UXwJEPGLG0>

