

# NHS Flu Season 2018/19

The Service Spec and PGD for this year were released last week. See the [PSNC main site](#) for all the details. There is still however plenty of preparation to do to ensure each pharmacy is ready for the **GO**:

What to start this week: **2 weeks to go ...**

1. Ensure your consultation room meets the requirements for the service. These can be seen in the PSNC [Guidance for Flu](#) document, section g.
2. Ensure your fridge meets the standards for [vaccine storage](#) and stock is ordered.
3. Develop or review your SOP for the service considering:
  - the roles the team will have in providing the service
  - reviewing your working practices to ensure Flu can be built into the routine working day
  - consider using an appointment system &/or whether you will perform a walk-in service
  - the need for all staff to read, understand and sign this new SOP
4. Continue with your recruiting and bookings as described in the [week 3 postcard](#)
5. **Did you know, the top 5% of flu providing pharmacies accounted for around ¼ of our total number, with the other 95% accounting for the remaining ¾. Will you be one of our top sites this year?**

The percentage of CPSC pharmacies providing the flu service last year remained at over 90% (higher than the 77% national average. Check out this and other CPSC performance on this [CPSC Infographic](#)



# Influenza

PSNC keep an updated set of FAQs on their website. Check this out for any unanswered questions you have: [here](#)



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