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| **PSNC has now changed its name to Community Pharmacy England, with a strengthened commitment to championing pharmacies and engaging with the sector.** This newsletter is sent on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. It contains important information for those that work in the community pharmacy sector. |

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| In this update: Mandatory continuity plans for temporary closures; FP34C submission timing; Last few days for CPAF screening; Dispensing and supply notices. |

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| ****Business continuity plans required for temporary closures from 31st July**** Pharmacy owners will be required to have a business continuity plan dealing with temporary closures from **31st July**. These business continuity plans will be a mandatory Terms of Service requirement and must be ready to be action for a temporary suspension of service when uncontrollable factors such as illness arise.To support pharmacy owners in meeting this requirement, Community Pharmacy England has developed a briefing and a template plan that provide a comprehensive guide. It includes the detailed requirements, guidelines on implementation, and additional factors to consider. A checklist has also been added, which may be used in the event of a temporary suspension. |

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| [**Continue reading**](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=1d7faa7c91&e=d19e9fd41c)  |

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| Reminder: Submit your end of month FP34Cs by the 5th for earlier advance paymentsWe would like to emphasise the importance of submitting your pharmacy's FP34C declaration on time through the Manage Your Service (MYS) portal. It is crucial that this declaration is submitted no later than the 5th of each month (or the 6th if a bank holiday occurs within the first five days of the month) for the previous month's supply.NHS Business Services Authority (NHSBSA) data indicates that, on average, 250 pharmacies a month submit their FP34C declaration late.[Read more](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=f3e5bc2415&e=d19e9fd41c) |

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| Reminder: 2023/24 CPAF screening questionnaire closes this SundayThe deadline is fast approaching for remaining pharmacies to submit their Community Pharmacy Assurance Framework (CPAF) screening questionnaire. With the survey closing at **midnight this Sunday (30th July)**, we strongly recommend pharmacy owners complete it as soon as possible. It should take approximately 10-20 minutes to do.[Find out more](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=addac999a2&e=d19e9fd41c) |

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| Dispensing and supply noticesOur Dispensing and Supply Team has issued the following useful notices that community pharmacy teams should be aware of.Drug Tariff Watch – August 2023[Find out more](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=d7ed14dcca&e=d19e9fd41c)National Patient Safety Alert: Potent synthetic opioids implicated in heroin overdoses and deaths[Find out more](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=68f222d716&e=d19e9fd41c) |

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