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| **This newsletter - sent on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays - contains important information and resources to support community pharmacies across England.** |

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| In this update: Upcoming Recovery Plan Webinars; Our CEO's comment on LloydsPharmacy; Our reaction to the recent Autumn Statement.  |

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| ****Webinars on Recovery Plan agreement****Next week we will be holding two webinars on the Recovery Plan agreement. These will provide pharmacy owners with a summary of the agreement, describing how we arrived at the deal and its importance for the future of the sector. It will be a chance to hear directly from our Chief Executive and Community Pharmacy England Negotiating Team Members and to ask them questions about the negotiations and agreement.**Please note:** **These webinars will not provide detailed guidance on providing the services: this will be covered in further webinars to be announced soon.**Booking must be made in advance via the relevant registration form:* [Monday 27th November at 7pm](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=155206f5f1&e=d19e9fd41c)
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**Help with Pharmacy First and other services**We are working with NHS England and the Centre for Pharmacy Postgraduate Education (CPPE) to organise a series of more detailed webinars to provide practical information on Pharmacy First and the updated Contraception and Hypertension services. The timings and registration for these will be available very shortly. |

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| LloydsPharmacy confirms exit from community pharmacy marketLloydsPharmacy, which once held the position of the country’s second-largest community pharmacy chain, has confirmed its departure from the high street. The chain said that all their pharmacies have now been sold and four stores have closed. **Commenting on this news, our CEO Janet Morrison said:** |

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| Autumn Statement: Community Pharmacy England calls for increased support for pharmaciesThe Chancellor of the Exchequer, Jeremy Hunt, gave his Autumn Statement to Parliament earlier this week, setting out future Government spending plans.One of the key announcements was that the National Minimum Wage is set to increase from £10.42 to £11.44, the third largest increase in real terms since the Living Wage was introduced in 2016. Community Pharmacy England is cognisant of the impact that this will have on the already immense financial pressures that pharmacy owners are grappling with.Our CEO has signalled her concern, suggesting that "This is just another cost pressure that pharmacies cannot control and it must be addressed through a sustainable, long-term funding arrangement.” [Read more including our CEO's comment](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=5fa6dd8a35&e=d19e9fd41c)[in full](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=b41bec45e2&e=d19e9fd41c) |

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