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Pharmacy owners and teams have been working incredibly hard to get ready for this, at an already difficult time. We have been pleased to see the sign-up rate for the service getting so high – some 96% of pharmacies will start offering the service today – and to talk to so many of you directly at our webinars and ongoing drop-in support sessions.  We are continuing to add to our bank of resources about the service and it is not too late to attend [one of our drop-in sessions on the service](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=846021c681&e=d19e9fd41c) for more support.  We, along with NHS and Government, are not expecting pharmacies to be inundated with patients initially: changing public behaviour takes time and effort, and a slow and steady transition period is likely.  **Commenting on the launch of the service, Janet Morrison, CEO of Community Pharmacy England, said:** | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | | | |  | | --- | | [**Continue reading**](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=b43f34ce88&e=d19e9fd41c) | | | |  | | --- | |  | | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | ****Promoting Pharmacy First**** We have been working hard to brief the media and others about Pharmacy First. You may have already seen members of Community Pharmacy England appearing in the press this week, and [our CEO Janet Morrison was featured in NHS England's national press release](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=12740be69b&e=d19e9fd41c).  If any pharmacists are asked to give media interviews about the launch, you may find our [Media Lines](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=d9890ad760&e=d19e9fd41c) helpful.  Also, ahead of the NHS’s public PR campaign, we have released various resources to help pharmacies promote the Pharmacy First service.   [Download posters, social media tiles, videos, and more.](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=744da0a93a&e=d19e9fd41c) | | | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | We have been responding to lots of your questions about the Pharmacy First service and we have added a selection of new questions to our dedicated FAQ webpage.  The page has been updated daily over the last couple of weeks, and we will continue to add more as and when other queries arise.  [Visit the Pharmacy First FAQ webpage](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=def9460e4e&e=d19e9fd41c) | | | | |  | | --- | |  | | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Patients can view EPS information within the NHS App As previously reported, NHS App now allows patients to view their EPS prescribed items, including prescriber information. The feature was piloted successfully in Yorkshire and has now been fully rolled out nationally.  While most patients will continue to have their prescriptions dispensed by their local pharmacy, some may choose to take their non-nominated prescriptions to other pharmacies within England. The presence of EPS barcode numbers in the app can assist pharmacy teams in dealing with outlier situations such as Phase 4 prescriptions and prescriptions which have been returned to the Spine by another pharmacy.  [Read further details on this change](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=da0a1cb319&e=d19e9fd41c) | | | | |  | | --- | |  | | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Dispensing and Supply updates **Class 4 Medicines Defect Information: Pantoprazole 40 mg gastro-resistant tablets (Cadila Pharmaceuticals (UK) Limited)** Crescent Pharma Limited has informed the Medicines and Health products Regulatory Agency (MHRA) that there is a barcode error on the cartons of Pantoprazole 40 mg Gastro-Resistant Tablets. [Learn more](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=efa0de9190&e=d19e9fd41c)  **Medicine Supply Notification: Methadone 5mg tablets** Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC) has issued a medicine supply notification for Methadone 5mg tablets, which are out of stock until late May 2024. [Find out more](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=efc74d830a&e=d19e9fd41c)  **Drug Tariff Watch – February 2024** The Drug Tariff Preface published monthly lists additions, deletions and other changes to products listed in the Drug Tariff. [View the summary of the changes coming into effect from 1st February 2024](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=e3f006eea6&e=d19e9fd41c) | | | | |  | | --- | |  | | | |  | | --- | | [Community Pharmacy England banner](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=82d94848e2&e=d19e9fd41c) | | | |  | | --- | |  | | | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [Twitter](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=4c91cc785f&e=d19e9fd41c) | | | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [Facebook](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=47a18b6548&e=d19e9fd41c) | | | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [LinkedIn](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=452abb79e2&e=d19e9fd41c) | | | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [Website](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=1faaf474bc&e=d19e9fd41c) | | | | | | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Community Pharmacy England** Address: 14 Hosier Lane, London EC1A 9LQ Tel: 0203 1220 810 | Email: [comms.team@cpe.org.uk](mailto:comms.team@cpe.org.uk)  Copyright © 2024 Community Pharmacy England, All rights reserved.  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