

Services Information

Community Pharmacy West Yorkshire has a Services Checklist to help contractors with the different services offered, where to claim and when to claim by. **The Services Checklist, effective from January 2022, can be found on our website [here](#).**

Palliative Care Service – Reminder to Submit Your Quarterly Audit

If you are a pharmacy which provides the Palliative Care Service, please remember to submit your quarterly audit return for the latest quarter (October to December 2021) to trigger payment for your pharmacy. The quarterly audit submission should be completed on the PharmOutcomes platform – see “Palliative Care Service (NHS England) – Quarterly Audit”. *Note, the quarterly audit is a separate requirement to the weekly stock report (COVID-19 additional requirements) which some palliative care pharmacies have also signed up to provide.*

CPCS Updates

GP CPCS – Latest Status Update @ January 2022

Several local practices are now referring into the CPCS – see [here](#) for the latest status update on the rollout of the GP referral pathway across West Yorkshire.

It is essential that patients referred into the CPCS receive an exemplary service. This will help build GP practice confidence in the service to send referrals. If you are a provider of CPCS, please ensure that you have a robust process in place to check for referrals from both NHS 111 and general practices at regular intervals throughout the day.

CPWY is holding an online evening event on the CPCS for pharmacy teams next week, Tuesday 18th January 2022. For further information, and to book onto the event, please see [here](#).

Pharmacy First (Leeds) – Final Reminder to Return the Contract

There are a small number of pharmacies that have not yet returned the contract for the Pharmacy First service in Leeds. A final reminder email (from CPWY) has been sent to those pharmacies with outstanding contracts. Please check your pharmacy shared NHSmail to see if you have received a reminder email.

Note, pharmacies that have not returned the contract by Friday 28th January 2022 will be removed from the service until a contract has been received. For any questions or queries about this service please email Lisa Meeks – lisa@cpwy.org

Sexual Health (EHC) Service

Oral Emergency Contraception – Interaction with Ulipristal and Progestogens (Reminder)

When issuing oral emergency contraception please be aware of the interaction with ulipristal acetate and progestogens.

If a progestogen containing medication has been taken 7 days before, or 5 days after administration of [ulipristal acetate](#), the emergency contraceptive effect of [ulipristal acetate](#) may be reduced. See the [FSRH guidance on Emergency Contraception](#) for further details, including some helpful decision-making algorithms (Levonorgestrel vs Ulipristal) on pages 13 & 14 of this guidance.

Wakefield EHC Service – Wakefield Residents Only

The commissioner of the Wakefield EHC service has asked that we remind pharmacies providing this service that the service has been commissioned for Wakefield residents and to be eligible, patients must have a Wakefield postcode (the service specification and other supporting documents for this service can be accessed [here](#)).

Information for Pharmacies across West Yorkshire

Wakefield Contractor CPWY Committee Vacancy

We would like to remind independent Wakefield contractors that there remains a vacant position on the Community Pharmacy West Yorkshire committee. If you are a Wakefield Independent Contractor and are interested in becoming a member of the CPWY committee, please let us know by emailing: info@cpwy.org.

Last Chance to Book! [CPWY Connect Event: Community Pharmacist Consultation Service \(CPCS\) - Tuesday 18th January 2022](#)

It's the last chance to book onto next week's CPWY Connect Event focusing on the Community Pharmacist Consultation Service (CPCS). CPCS is an important service in improving access for patients, using the skills of community pharmacy and being funded for the work undertaken.

Tuesday 18th January 2022 - 7.15pm – [Book Here!](#)



Besins Healthcare has provided sponsorship to Community Pharmacy West Yorkshire which will cover a 15 minute slot, virtual, to discuss their services. This sponsor has had no influence over the meeting agenda or arrangements.

Please register to attend the event by clicking on the '**Book Now**' link above and complete the online registration form. Once you have booked on, you will receive a confirmation email, confirming your place and the details of this meeting (including the link to join the Zoom Meeting). The event is open to the whole pharmacy team from all West Yorkshire community pharmacies.

Intelligence on Potential Counterfeit Medicines

West Yorkshire Police has made CPWY aware that in December 2021 they received a couple of pieces of intelligence in the **Wakefield** area, submitted at a similar time to the occurrence of two deaths, stating that there is a 'bad batch' of zopiclone, pregabalin and Xanax in circulation. One piece of intel states that they have been made from scratch, indicating that they are counterfeit products rather than issued from a pharmacy. This is anecdotal information at the moment, and the police are still awaiting the results on tests from seized pills to be tested (seized from one of the deceased in Wakefield).

They also report a few recent (December) intelligence reports in the **Calderdale** area stating there is a bad catch of Xanax in circulation – with the issue seeming to be around Halifax Town Centre.

Northern Ireland has reported 6 drug related deaths possibly linked to black Xanax – the police think that we do not seem to have any black Xanax in circulation in West Yorkshire but please let them know if you are aware of any. The police are happy to receive any information if you are aware of any issues in your area or if you happen to have service users willing to hand over drugs for testing and the relevant contact to email is: Jessica.Clayton@westyorkshire.police.uk.

West Yorkshire Vaccination Programme Update Letter

Please find below a letter sent on behalf of Carol McKenna who is the Senior Responsible Officer for the West Yorkshire Vaccine Programme on behalf of the Partnership.

[Vaccination Bulletin – 11th January 2022](#)

The Association of Pharmacy Technicians UK Community Pharmacy Branch Meeting

The next meeting of the APTUK Community Pharmacy Branch will take place on 17th January 2022 7:30-9:00pm. It will be a virtual meeting. During the meeting presentations will be given by experts in clinical governance and patient safety some of whom are pharmacy technicians themselves. The presentations will highlight the contribution that pharmacy technicians can make to both of these important issues. For more information and to receive the link for the meeting please email communitybranch@aptuk.org.

School of Pharmacy and Medicines Optimisation December 2021 Newsletter

The School of Pharmacy and Medicines Optimisation December 2021 newsletter can be accessed below. If you wish to receive this newsletter directly you can sign up via this survey link: <https://healtheducationyh.onlinesurveys.ac.uk/contact-me>.

[School of Pharmacy and Medicines Optimisation December 2021 Newsletter](#)

Struggling to Manage your Stress?

[The Cellar Trust](#) provides the online mental health and wellbeing training platform offering a range of e-Learning courses to help support your wellbeing. These include:

- Stress Buster
- Wellbeing at Work
- Skills for Being Well in Adversity



For more information or to register for FREE, visit: [Living Well Training – Training for a Healthy Mind](#).

NHS Kirklees and Wakefield Clinical Commissioning Groups are Looking at How Urgent Care Services can be Improved

As community pharmacy teams work with urgent care services, the CCGs would like to hear your views on local urgent care services. Please complete a survey [here](#) and share with your staff and colleagues.

If you would like to talk to someone to share your views, please contact: kirsty.wayman@nhs.net / dasa.farmer1@nhs.net. It is important that any change or development considers the views of staff who work in or with urgent care services. The feedback you provide will help the CCGs understand what improvements need to be made to local urgent care services. The survey is anonymous and your answers will be treated in the strictest confidence.

Key News and Guidance: The Latest Updates from PSNC

Please ensure you are regularly checking your emails for updates from PSNC. The most up to date information can be found on PSNC's News page [here](#). The latest Key News and Guidance document can be found [here](#). Sign up to PSNC's mailing list [here](#) to receive regular updates straight to your inbox.

Training and Development

CPWY Events



The next upcoming event is:

- **CPWY Connect Event: CPCS - Tuesday 18th January 2022** – [Click here for more information!](#)
- **CPWY Connect Event: Hypertension – Tuesday 15th February 2022** – [Click here for more information!](#)

CPWY e-Learning



Community Pharmacy West Yorkshire is working with Virtual Outcomes to deliver a series of online training events throughout the year. An introduction video for Virtual Outcomes can be found [here](#). More information about the different Virtual Outcomes modules that are available can be found on our website [here](#). The latest module available is:

- [Vitamin D e-Learning Module – January 2022](#)

CPPE Events



All CPPE events are open to pharmacists, pre-reg pharmacists and technicians registered with CPPE. The **next set of online workshops running from November 2021** are now live for booking. See the document below for further details.

[CPPE Workshops and Learning Resources - November 2021](#)

Please contact the CPPE Regional Tutor for Yorkshire & Humber if you have any questions or would like further assistance or information, by emailing Deborah.needham@cppe.ac.uk.

CPWY Connect

[CPWY Connect](#) has been set up on the social media site Telegram with the aim of connecting pharmacy teams across West Yorkshire and we'd love you to join by [clicking here](#).

