



Calderdale pharmacies sign up to lifestyle initiative

Seven pharmacies in Calderdale have signed up to a new initiative aimed at helping people to lead a healthier lifestyle.

The Healthy Living Pharmacy (HLP) scheme aims to promote good health by offering a range of free services such as a stop smoking scheme, emergency contraception, and medicines use reviews.

The whole pharmacy team plays an important part in the Healthy Living Pharmacy initiative. Staff from each Healthy Living Pharmacy has received training to be “Health Champions” and have been recognised by the Royal Society of Public Health.

Robbie Turner, Chief Executive of Community Pharmacy West Yorkshire said: “All pharmacies provide valuable health services but with Healthy Living Pharmacies, healthy living and wellbeing is a core activity. Pharmacies are delighted to be able to support their local communities to help them lead healthy lives. We know that people like the accessibility of their local pharmacy and the fact that they do not always have to book an appointment.”

What is a healthy living pharmacy?

Your local pharmacy only with better facilities, more services and a commitment to improving health and wellbeing in your community.

What can you expect from Calderdale’s healthy living pharmacies?

- A wide range of health services
- Welcoming, helpful and knowledgeable staff
- Private rooms for discussing personal issues
- Up-to-date technology to ensure you get the best possible treatment
- Your local NHS working together for you
- Information on keeping well and healthy

The initiative is being co-ordinated by Community Pharmacy West Yorkshire with strong support from NHS Calderdale.

Dr Graham Wardman, Director of Public Health at NHS Calderdale said: “Healthy Living Pharmacy is a concept designed to encourage and develop high standards of service delivered by dedicated teams working in the heart of their communities. Healthy Living Pharmacies will be recognised by a Quality Mark that will be easily recognised and understood by members of the public.”

The first Healthy Living pharmacies are:

Rowlands Pharmacy 35-37 Church Lane, Brighouse, HD6 1ATJ

Swire & Son Ltd, 210-212 King Cross Road, Halifax, HX1 3JP

Living Care Pharmacy, 173b Spring Hall Lane, Halifax, HX1 4JG

Brook Pharmacy, 236 Queens Road, Halifax, HX1 4NE

Living Care Pharmacy, Boothtown Medical Centre, Woodside Road, Boothtown, Halifax, HX3 6EL

Shelf Pharmacy, 14 Carr House Road, Shelf, Halifax HX3 7QY

The Pharmacy, 52 Southgate, Elland HX5 0DQ

There will be many more Healthy Living Pharmacies in Calderdale later this year as more Calderdale pharmacies join the scheme.

FURTHER INFORMATION FROM: The Shared Communications Service, NHS Calderdale, Kirklees and Wakefield District. Tel (01924) 317660.

Note to Editors

NHS Calderdale, Kirklees and Wakefield District PCT Cluster

Three Primary Care Trusts: NHS Calderdale, Kirklees and Wakefield District are working together as a Cluster to lead and develop the new NHS commissioning arrangements set out in the Health and Social Care Bill. This work is being done through a single Board and executive team is leading the changes for the benefit of local people and patients. Clusters are not formally recognised in their own right and the three PCTs will remain as the statutory (legally responsible) organisations for commissioning health services until 2013 when the new arrangements take effect.