Modern Management of Psoriasis.
A role for the community pharmacist...?

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Buffet 7pm ~ Start 7.30pm

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Information Leaflet

Why is psoriasis important?

Psoriasis affects an estimated 2% of the population. Over the past 15 years many new and effective treatments for psoriasis have been developed as understanding of the fundamental pathology of psoriasis has advanced. Experience suggests that many people with the disease have not taken up modern treatments because their experiences of previous care (both the products and the approach) have been negative. In some cases they have given up on conventional treatment and decided to live with the condition; others have turned to alternative or complementary therapies. However, psoriasis can have a significant impact on quality of life and the ability to function effectively.

Improving primary care services for patients with psoriasis.

We propose to run a training workshop for community pharmacists to upskill community pharmacists in the management of psoriasis so that they are able to provide effective MURs for patients receiving prescribed psoriasis treatment and guide/educate patients who are using OTC products about modern psoriasis treatment.

Collaborative research / development project.

At the workshop we will seek expressions of interest from pharmacists who would like to take part in a collaborative research/development project. This would involve further training, specifically in the use of a quality of life measure (Dermatology Life Quality Index (DLQI) and possibly the self-administered psoriasis area and severity score (SAPASI). Pharmacists enrolling in the project would then undertake to gather anonymised data that will be pooled to measure the impact that community pharmacists have on the management of psoriasis patients.

- If you would like to know more about modern management of psoriasis please come along
- Attending the workshop does not commit you to participation in the research/development project