

Sharing Success!

Provided by Heath Pharmacy, Halifax

Following a consultation with the pharmacist where the patient described a bloodshot eye and pain, the pharmacist suggested a BP check as part of the Hypertension Case-Finding Service.. Initially the patient was a bit reluctant to do this, but after some more explaining the patient agreed and the patient's BP was found to be quite high. The pharmacist suggested that the patient should visit the GP for an urgent appointment.

A few days later the patient returned to the pharmacy with a script for some BP medication and advised that their GP had sent an urgent referral to the hospital for a scan to rule out causes. 3 weeks later the patient returned to the pharmacy to thank the team. The scan had found a tumour on one of the kidneys which was the cause of the raised BP. The patient had an urgent operation, and the tumour was removed successfully. She was particularly thankful to the pharmacist who suggested a BP check. At the time she thought a BP check was a bit too much and she was in a rush on the day, but she realised that without the BP check, she would never have gone to the GP and the tumour may have spread or got worse."



Heath Pharmacy also kindly shared some photos of BP checks taking place in the pharmacy, including a BP check on Holly Lynch MP (Halifax).

