

CPCF Webinar with Q&A Session – Timeline of Changes Within New Contract

CPWY is holding a virtual webinar on **Tuesday 10th June 2025 at 7–8pm** to discuss the new Community Pharmacy Contractual Framework (CPCF) and the changes to national services.

We will discuss key dates for the changes and tips on how to make the most of them. The event will also feature a Q&A session with the CPWY team and our CPE regional representative, David Broome.

Please join us for this event (which is aimed at **all** members of the pharmacy team) to learn about the new funding and contractual changes and ask any questions that you might have about the new contract.

Join here: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88190492006>

No registration is required, just use the link above on the evening to join.

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Meet Our Committee Member – Nasrat Khan

This week, we are continuing our series from last year where CPWY introduces you to the members of our committee. **This week's introduction is by our newly appointed committee member, Nasrat Khan.** Nasrat has written a short piece about her background and experience in pharmacy.



Services Information

NMS Contract Changes – What You Need to Know

The contractual settlement for 2025/26 included some changes to the NMS which came into effect from 1st April 2025:

- **Changes to the payment structure & fees** – this has been simplified to a £14 fee for each intervention or follow up consultation provided, i.e. a total fee of £28 will be paid if both the intervention and follow up consultations are undertaken. This does not change the existing service requirement to undertake the intervention consultation and try to contact the patient to undertake the follow up consultation, but a £14 payment can **only** be claimed if a consultation has been undertaken. If the patient cannot be contacted by the pharmacy to undertake a consultation, the fee for that consultation cannot be claimed. See this CPE resource [here](#) which sets out a range of scenarios associated with the NMS and when payments are claimable.

- **Inclusion of antidepressants (from October 2025)** – depression will be added to the list of eligible conditions for NMS from October and further details will be published before this date. This is a major and welcome step forward, recognising the vital role pharmacies can play in supporting patients starting treatment for mental health. Although there is no mandatory training there is a related training programme, consulting with people with mental health problems, which is included in the [2025/26 Pharmacy Quality Scheme](#) which might be helpful to help build confidence and skills in this area (as well as helping you to meet a quality criteria).
- **NMS subcontracting to be stopped** – there will be changes to the Service Directions to clarify that NMS may not be provided through a remote consultation by a pharmacist working off the pharmacy premises who is not employed by the pharmacy owner. Read more [here](#).

We have produced a briefing to highlight the key changes, actions you need to take, and how to make the most of the updated NMS service. Please [click here](#) to read our briefing.

Pharmacy First Final Reminder – Bundling Deadline is Nearly Here

The Pharmacy First bundling requirement comes in on 1st June 2025 (see [here](#) for information on advanced service bundling). The deadline for registering for the three services (Pharmacy First, Pharmacy Contraception Service and the Hypertension Case-Finding Service) on the Manage Your Service (MYS) portal is **11.59pm on Saturday 31st May 2025**. If pharmacy owners have not registered by this date/time for the three services, they will not be entitled to the June monthly payment for Pharmacy First even if they meet the minimum number of Clinical pathway consultations in June.

End of Antiviral Prescribing for 2024/25 Influenza Season

Antiviral medicines for the prophylaxis and treatment of influenza should no longer be supplied in primary care on presentation of an FP10 prescription form. See [here](#) for further information.

Smoking Cessation Service – Inclusion Criteria

The following information provides clarification regarding the inclusion criteria for the Pharmacy Smoking Cessation Service (SCS). As per the service specification, the inclusion criteria for this service is as follows:

- *People aged 18 years and older who have started treatment for tobacco dependence in hospital and have chosen to continue their treatment in community pharmacy after discharge.*

For further clarity, please note that whilst the criteria refers to starting treatment in the hospital, it does not specifically mandate that Nicotine Replacement Therapy (NRT) must have been initiated.

As per CPE's guidance:

Q. *I have received an SCS referral from an NHS Trust, but the patient was not provided with any NRT while in hospital or on discharge. Is the patient eligible for SCS?*

A. *Yes. If the patient has accepted very brief advice (VBA) on smoking and has agreed to being referred to a pharmacy for SCS, then this is acceptable as 'treatment' and the patient would be eligible to receive the service.*

Therefore, please be aware that Very Brief Advice (VBA) is recognised as a valid form of treatment under the service's inclusion criteria. Please see our website [here](#).

Reminder: Checking for Unclaimed Services on PharmOutcomes Guidance

If you use PharmOutcomes, please see the document [here](#) which will help your pharmacy team to check for unclaimed services on the platform. This guidance can be used for any service claimed through PharmOutcomes. **Note – please check by the end of May to ensure any missed claims this month go through!**

Information for Pharmacies across West Yorkshire

DPP Support – Become a DPP or Find One Today

Are you a prescriber looking to contribute to the development of prescribing professions? Becoming a **Designated Prescribing Practitioner (DPP)** offers a unique opportunity to support the next generation of prescribers while enhancing your own professional development and leadership skills. As the demand for independent prescribers in healthcare grows, so too does the need for experienced DPPs to guide trainees through their prescribing journey.

At the same time, for those preparing to undertake their **independent prescribing (IP) training**, finding a suitable DPP can be a significant barrier. That's where [DPP Support](#) comes in. This NHS England supported directory of DPPs is a dedicated platform designed to:

- **Support prescribers** interested in becoming DPPs.
- **Connect IP trainees** with experienced prescribers.
- **Promote safe, effective supervision** and high-quality prescribing education.

Whether you're ready to take on the DPP role or seeking a DPP to support your IP training, [DPP Support](#) makes it easier to take the next step.

Visit www.dppsupport.co.uk to find out more, access resources, and register your interest. Also, see how DPP Support works in this video [here](#).

Independent Prescribing Courses 2025–26 – NHS England Funded Training

Applications for NHS England funded independent prescribing courses are open. We encourage pharmacists interested and working within community pharmacy (including locums), to seize this opportunity.

Pharmacists who meet the eligibility criteria will be able to apply for independent prescribing courses at a variety of universities across England.

More information including eligibility criteria, funding, and details of approved universities can be found on the NHS England website [here](#).

For any further enquiries, please contact england.pharmacyteam@nhs.net.

Reminder: Pharmacy Needs Assessment (PNA) Consultations

The draft PNAs for Bradford, Kirklees, Leeds and Wakefield are now published for consultation.

- Bradford – [click here](#). The consultation period will conclude on **30th May 2025**.
- Calderdale – **the draft PNA will be published for consultation in June 2025**.

- Kirklees – [click here](#). The consultation period will conclude on **30th May 2025**.
- Leeds: [click here](#). The consultation period will conclude on **27th May 2025**.
- Wakefield – [click here](#). The consultation period will conclude on **31st May 2025**.

Training and Development

- **CPWY Events** – details of upcoming events will be posted on our website [here](#).
- **CPWY e-Learning** – [click here](#) to see the latest Virtual Outcomes e-Learning modules available for West Yorkshire pharmacy teams to access!
- **CPPE Events** – The next set of online workshops are now live for booking. See the documents below for further details on workshops and resources:
 - [CPPE Workshops – March to July 2025](#)
 - [CPPE Resources – May 2025](#)

CPWY Connect – Telegram Group

Our CPWY Connect Telegram group is a messaging group created to connect and support pharmacy teams across West Yorkshire.

