

*** LAST FEW PLACES REMAINING! * Back to Basics: Understanding Pharmacy Finance Event**

We will be joined by David Broome and Dave Downham who will be stripping down pharmacy finance back to the basics to help you identify where your pharmacy may be missing out on money. See the details, agenda and how to book [here](#).



***This event is almost full and very few places are remaining. Registrations will close once we reach maximum capacity. We encourage anyone wanting to attend to book as soon as possible! If registrations close and you are unable to book a place, please email info@cpwy.org, where we can add you to a reserve list and offer you a place if we receive any cancellations.**

Pharmacy Quality Scheme (PQS) 2025/26

Final Reminder – Gateway Criterion – Act by Sunday 31st August 2025

Pharmacy owners must be signed up for both the Pharmacy First and Pharmacy Contraception Service **by Sunday 31st August 2025, and remain registered until 31st March 2026**. See further information and support resources [here](#).

Clinical Audit: Sore Throat Management

Community pharmacies are reminded that the upcoming PQS Clinical Audit on sore throat management is to begin on **1st September 2025**. The audit focuses on patients with a FeverPAIN score of 0–3, supporting antimicrobial stewardship and appropriate use of antibiotics under the Pharmacy First Service. Pharmacies must collect data over a 4-week period (extendable to 8 weeks if needed) and submit findings via the Manage Your Service (MYS) portal **by 31st March 2026**. All consultations must meet five audit standards, including use of the [TARGET RTI leaflet](#) and providing AMS advice.

Reminder: Do not start audit activity before Monday 1st September 2025 – early data will not be accepted. Ensure your team is briefed and ready to record data accurately.

Full details of the clinical audit and resources including the data collection form and analysis sheet to support you can be found on the NHS England website [here](#).

Services Information

Quick Dose: Knowledge Capsule – Podcast (Episode 4) – Pharmacy First Infected Insect Bites Pathway (Focusing on Lyme Disease)

Our 'Quick Dose: Knowledge Capsule' items are designed to deliver key pharmacy insights in clear, bite-sized formats for fast learning.

This episode is the fourth in our podcast series looking at the **Pharmacy First Clinical Pathways** – this episode focuses on the **Infected Insect Bites pathway, with a particular focus on Lyme Disease**.



In our Pharmacy First podcast series, we are joined by Dr Phil Xiu, a dedicated GP based in Leeds, who shares expert insights, answers key questions, and offers practical tips to help pharmacy teams with delivering the Pharmacy First Service. [Watch the fourth episode here.](#)

- See Episode 1 on the **UTI Pathway** [here](#).
- See Episode 2 on the **Shingles Pathway** [here](#).
- See Episode 3 on the **Impetigo Pathway** [here](#).
- More information about the **Pharmacy First Service** can be found [here](#).
- Information regarding **DPP Support** can be found [here](#).

Keep an eye out for episode 5 coming soon!

Childhood Flu Vaccination Advanced Service

REMINDER: Register by this Sunday (31st August) – Contractors are reminded that they must register to provide this service on the NHSBSA's MYS portal by 23:59 on Sunday 31st August if they want to receive supply of vaccine by the service start date on 1st October 2025.

Before registering for this service, contractors must read the [service specification](#) for the full requirements of service delivery, and consider if they are able to meet these. **This includes a requirement that staff providing the service must have an Enhanced DBS certificate, with checks against the adult and children's barred list.**

Learn more about the new Childhood Flu Vaccination Service [here](#).

CPE On-demand Webinar – A recording of the recent CPE webinar on the Childhood Flu Vaccination Service is now available to watch – see [here](#). The webinar provides some context and background to the service, explains how the service will operate and provides operational information to help pharmacies prepare to provide it, and is a recommended watch for anyone who has registered to provide the service or for those considering on whether to provide it.

Other Training & Resources

- NHSE has produced a [resource pack](#) which signposts to useful information, training and resources and can be used to assist pharmacists and pharmacy technicians with their CPD, particularly as they assess their learning needs to deliver this new service and develop a plan to acquire the competence required.
- [AstraZeneca – Fluenz for healthcare professionals](#) includes a useful video on how to administer the Fluenz nasal spray to children.
- CPPE has added a new section dedicated to the NHS Childhood Flu Service – see [Vaccination Services : CPPE](#)

NHS Flu Vaccination Service

Permission for Off-Site Vaccinations (Adult & Childhood Flu Services) – A key change for this season includes a requirement to seek permission from the commissioner prior to undertaking vaccinations at a location off the pharmacy premises. An email, which is being sent out this week by NHSE, confirms the local arrangements for applying for consent to carry out vaccinations at a location other than the pharmacy premises. Contractors will be sent a link to an MS Form which will need to be completed for **each location**, except for housebound patients

(only one form needs to be completed for all housebound patients). Please check your pharmacy NHSmail for details. If you have any queries, please contact england.wysit@nhs.net.

Reminder – Adult Flu Vaccination Start Dates – The service starts next Monday (1st September 2025) but can ONLY be provided to pregnant women. **Vaccination of all other eligible cohorts cannot commence until 1st October 2025.**

Vaccines – There is a useful vaccines poster (see [here](#)) which has information on the different types of flu vaccines available for the 2025 to 2026 flu season and the clinical risk groups that they apply to. Pharmacy teams may want to consider printing off this poster as a helpful resource for use by members of the team involved with the flu service.

PharmRefer Communications – SystmOne GP Practices

The West Yorkshire ICB emailed West Yorkshire pharmacies last week on 21st August, regarding the NHSE confirmed plans to roll out the integrated referral solution for GP practices using SystmOne to make in-workflow referrals through to the Pharmacy First Service. The update notes that it is expected that all GP practices using SystmOne will have this functionality the week commencing 25th August 2025.

Information for Pharmacies across West Yorkshire

CPWY Pre-Committee Meeting Survey

Our next committee meeting will be held on Wednesday 17th September 2025. If you wish to put something forward to be raised at our meeting, please complete the short survey here: <https://forms.office.com/e/UJLnPZQvuf>. Details of the committee, including minutes from previous meetings, accounts and constitution can be found on our website, www.cpyw.org, under the 'About Us' tab (on the far right).

Observers are welcome to attend the open session of these meetings. If you are interested in attending a future meeting, please email info@cpyw.org.

Updated West Yorkshire Adult Asthma Guidelines

The West Yorkshire Adult Asthma Guidelines have been updated to reflect the 2024 BTS/NICE/SIGN asthma guidelines, and these were approved at West Yorkshire APC on 31st July. There are changes to promoting single inhaler therapy (ICS/formoterol) as reliever only or Maintenance and Reliever Therapy (MART) as the preferred treatment for asthma, and stopping using salbutamol for these patients.

See the updated full guidance document [here](#), and the guidance summary [here](#).

Training and Development

- **CPWY Events** –
 - **Back to Basics: Understanding Pharmacy Finance** – [click here](#) for details and booking!
- **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 face to face and online workshops are now live for booking. See the documents below for further details on workshops and resources:
 - [CPPE Community Pharmacy Update – July 2025](#)

CPWY Connect – Telegram Group

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

