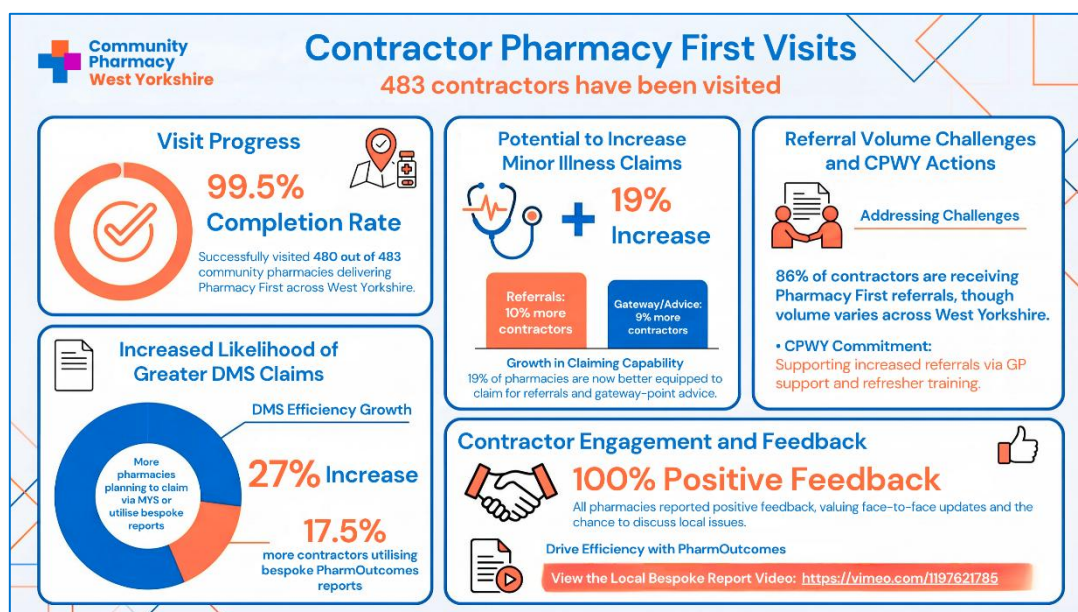


CPWY Pharmacy First Visits

Over the last few months, members of the CPWY team have been visiting pharmacies across West Yorkshire that are delivering the Pharmacy First Service. It's been a great opportunity to catch up with teams to discuss the service and answer some of your questions. Feedback provided from the visits has been overwhelmingly positive and we have produced an infographic to demonstrate the impact of the visits.



If you wish to view this as a PDF, [click here](#).

Don't worry if you haven't yet had a visit from us. We are currently planning these to ensure all of our contractors receive a visit from a member of the team. We look forward to meeting more of you soon!

Services Information

Childhood Flu Vaccination Service – 31st August Registration Deadline!!

Pharmacies wishing to provide the 2026/27 Childhood Flu Vaccination Service must register via the MYS portal by **midnight on Monday (31st August)** to receive vaccine supplies ahead of the service launch on 1st October 2026.

Pharmacies can register after this date, however, it is not guaranteed they will receive vaccines in time for the service commencement date.

Important note: pharmacies who provided the Childhood Flu Vaccination Service in 2025/26 **are required to re-register** if they intend to provide the service in 2026/27. See CPE news story [here](#) for more details.

Meningitis B Vaccination Service – Updates

NBS appointments – From today, (27th August 2026), **ALL eligible individuals** will be able to book an appointment for a MenB vaccination on the national booking service (NBS). This now includes individuals born on or after 21st July 2001 who are starting university for the first time or starting at some further education colleges for the first time and residing in college accommodation.

Please remember to remind individuals of the importance of receiving a second dose at least 28 days after the first dose. They can access the NBS the day after their first vaccination to book their second dose.

Returning to flexible delivery days for vaccine deliveries – Following a change to the logistics supplier for centrally purchased vaccines, MenB orders can now be placed with a choice of available delivery dates. This allows you to select a delivery day that best aligns with your clinic schedule and anticipated need rather than being limited to a single fixed delivery day each week. The increased flexibility supports a 'little and often' approach to ordering, helping to minimise the risk of vaccines going unused before their expiry date.

Locally Commissioned Council Flu Vaccination Services 2026/27

Service Opportunity for Pharmacies in Bradford and Calderdale

CPWY is pleased to confirm that Bradford and Calderdale Councils are once again commissioning locally commissioned Flu Vaccination Services for 2026/27. The services provide an opportunity for participating pharmacies to offer free flu vaccinations to eligible council staff who are not entitled to an NHS flu vaccination, with payment at the same rate as the administration fee under the NHS Seasonal Vaccination Advanced Service.

Contractors in both areas have been emailed details of the services, so please check your pharmacy NHSmail for further information. Links to the individual service specifications are also provided below for ease of reference.

Bradford

The Bradford service specification and Expression of Interest (EOI) form is available [here](#). Contractors wishing to provide the service need to complete and return the EOI and Assurance Checklist Form (pages 7–8, section 14) to jasbinder.sandhu@bradford.gov.uk.

Deadline: 30th September 2026

Calderdale

The Calderdale service specification, including the EOI form, is available [here](#). Contractors wishing to provide the service should review both the service specification and [contract](#) and complete and return both:

- The [EOI form](#) – see the final page of the service specification.
- The [contract](#) – ensuring all required sections are completed.

Both documents should be returned to Anna.Hartley@calderdale.gov.uk.

Deadline: 12th September 2026

Change of Special Allocation Scheme (SAS) Provider in Calderdale & Kirklees

The Special Allocation Scheme (SAS) is an NHS service providing secure primary medical services to patients removed from standard GP lists due to threatening, violent, or aggressive behaviour, where police involvement has occurred. From 7th September 2026, the SAS in Calderdale and Kirklees will transfer from Locala to Bevan Healthcare, which will provide the service across West Yorkshire. Please refer to this letter [here](#) for Bevan Healthcare's contact details should you need to contact them about any SAS patients.

Information for Pharmacies across West Yorkshire

Reminder: August 2026 Bank Holiday Pharmacy Opening Times v1

The August 2026 Bank Holiday pharmacy opening times which we have received from the West Yorkshire ICB can be found [here](#).

Important: please ensure that your pharmacy NHS Profile Manager is updated to reflect your Bank Holiday opening hours and where applicable your pharmacy website. *The ICB has asked that pharmacies display the Bank Holiday Opening Times poster in the window, or somewhere that it can be viewed, to signpost patients / public to the nearest open pharmacy during the Bank Holiday period.*

August 2026 Bank Holiday Leaflet for Patients on Methadone and Subutex

A leaflet has been produced [here](#) which you may wish to use to help inform patients who pick up regular instalments for methadone and Subutex of your opening hours over the August Bank Holiday period.

CPPSG – Bank Holiday Resources – The Community Pharmacy Patient Safety Group (CPPSG) has released two resources aimed at supporting community pharmacy teams with Opioid Treatment Programmes. The resources can be accessed [here](#).

New Patient Information Leaflet – Codeine-Containing Medicines

We know that supporting people who regularly purchase over-the-counter (OTC) codeine-containing medicines can be challenging. Conversations about codeine use and dependence can be sensitive, particularly when someone may not be ready to talk about their use or consider seeking support.

Our pharmacy teams told us they wanted a simple, discreet resource that could be provided to patients following a repeat OTC codeine sale so we listened and developed this new [leaflet](#) which provides clear information about codeine-containing medicines, advice on where to find support, and details of local Drug & Alcohol Support Services.

The leaflet can be discreetly placed in the patient's bag, providing them with information they can read in their own time. This gives individuals the opportunity to consider the information and seek support when they feel ready, without putting them under pressure to have a conversation in the pharmacy.

We hope this new resource will give pharmacy teams another practical tool to help support people who may be experiencing problems with codeine use, while making what can be a difficult conversation a little easier.

The leaflet can be downloaded from the CPWY website [here](#). Please make it part of your approach when supporting regular purchasers of OTC codeine-containing medicines.

Training and Development

- **CPWY Events:**
 - *Event details will be posted here when published.*
- **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 document below for further details on workshops and resources:
 - [CPPE Community Pharmacy Update – Spring/Summer 2026](#)

CPWY Connect – WhatsApp Group

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

