

Changes to the Local Pharmacy First Extension Service

- The PGDs for Clotrimazole and Chloramphenicol will be withdrawn on Wednesday 29th July 2020 the patient group that was previously eligible for this service will now be covered by the new NHS Pharmacy First Scotland Service.
- The PGD for Fluconazole which allows for supply of the POM pack will be withdrawn on Wednesday 29th July 2020 there is no longer a significant cost difference between the P and POM packs.
- The PGDs for Hydrocortisone and Flucloxacillin will remain in place and this service will continue.

Please note: The PGDs for COPD exacerbation (Amoxicillin, Doxycycline and Prednisolone) have been withdrawn in light of the COVID-19 situation. **No claims should be submitted for** *this service until further notice.*

Supporting Documentation

- National documentation has been produced to support the delivery of the service from Wednesday 29th July, start using the national GP Notification Forms and Assessment Forms for patients presenting with symptoms of Impetigo and UTI, available <u>here</u>.
- Continue using the FV GP Notification/Consultation Form for patients presenting with skin conditions and skin infections.
- NHS Forth Valley are providing all community pharmacies with a supply of NHS Pharmacy First Scotland consultation pads - these will start arriving in pharmacies next week and should be used by staff to capture patient details and activity which can be transferred to your PMR system at a convenient time.
- For NHS Pharmacy First Scotland **referrals**, we recommend using the SBAR template this is available electronically via the PCR and a paper based version is available for printing <u>here</u>.

Patient Group Directions (PGD)

- National PGDs have been developed to support NHS Pharmacy First Scotland and have been signed off for local use two of these PGDs are already in place in Forth Valley: Fusidic Acid for Impetigo and Trimethoprim for uncomplicated UTIs.
- An additional PGD for Nitrofurantoin has been developed for uncomplicated UTIs and this antibiotic will be for second line use in Forth Valley for uncomplicated UTIs a copy of this PGD will be e-mailed to all community pharmacy shared mailboxes and added to the <u>website</u> once it has been signed off for local use.
- If a patient is not suitable for Trimethoprim, refer to the renal function assessment included within the UTI assessment form prior to supplying Nitrofurantoin.

| Name of PGD | Status |
|-----------------|---|
| Clotrimazole | WITHDRAWN |
| Fluconazole | WITHDRAWN |
| Chloramphenicol | WITHDRAWN |
| COPD | WITHDRAWN UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE |
| Hydrocortisone | Continue – Local Pharmacy First Extension Service |
| Flucloxacillin | Continue – Local Pharmacy First Extension Service |
| Impetigo | National PGD – Fusidic Acid 2% cream |
| UTI | National PGD – Trimethoprim/Nitrofurantoin |

Claim Forms

- You will only need to submit a claim form for the Local Pharmacy First Extension Service this now covers skin conditions and skin infections only and is available <u>here</u>.
- No claims should be submitted for consultations for Bacterial Conjunctivitis or Vaginal Thrush from Wednesday 29th July 2020. Any consultations completed prior to the NHS Pharmacy First Scotland launch date will be paid.

Useful Links

- FV Community Pharmacy Website NHS Pharmacy First Scotland
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- <u>NHS National Services Scotland Pharmacy Services</u>
- <u>Community Pharmacy Scotland NHS Pharmacy First Info Hub</u>