



Appendix 1

	TYPE OF INFORMATION	INFORMATION SOURCE	PHARMACY LEAD (S)	COMMUNICATION ROUTE	ACTION
1.	NatPSA Class 1 alert	NatPSA MHRA	PPH first responder (in hours) Pharmacy Services Exec (OOH)	PPH to provide initial communication as per drug alert process: CP Dev team for CPs* Pharmacy Services for information Generic mailboxes or point of contacts for specialist teams and acute*. Prescribing inbox for primary care* Prim Care support (GPs) Depute Medical director (acute) Dental consultant (dental) Director of Nursing Out of hours: email to PDC, on call pharmacist and CPs by Exec. (PPH will reissue	Communication within 24 hours. Alert to be assessed by PPh pharmacist for immediate and onward action. PPh will initiate coordination group inc representatives from relevant Pharmacy Services teams to risk assess the alert, review the actions required and engage other stakeholders who should be involved e.g. specialists for advice on managing affected patients or identifying alternative medication.





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				to full list on opening)	
2.	Class 2-3 Medicines Recall	NatPSA MHRA	PPH	Email communication to current drug alert distribution list. CP Dev team* Prescribing inbox* Pharmacy Services for information* Generic mailboxes or point of contacts for specialist teams and acute*. Prim Care support (GPs) Depute Medical director (acute) Dental consultant (dental) Director of Nursing	Class 3 – action within 5 days.
3.	Class 4 Medicines Notification	NatPSA MHRA	PPH	Email communication to current drug alert distribution list. CP Dev team* Prescribing inbox*	Medicines Defect notifications, caution in use. Now includes company led medicines notification or recalls.

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				Dental consultant (dental)	
				Director of Nursing	
4.	National Patient Safety Alerts	NatPSA	PPH for communication Meds Gov, ADTC SUM for assessment		Each alert to be reviewed to assess appropriate comms. Often comes with associated actions as advised by MG and ADTC SUM.
5	Shortages	Various inc NatPSA DHSC	Individual clinical	Not required – managed	Not required – managed via existing
6	MSAN	Scottish Government	teams inc acute, primary care and MI.	via existing comms and processes.	comms and processes.
7	Health and Safety alerts	NHS Services Scotland	Pharmacy Services	To affected clinical areas	Response to H&S of action
8	Device safety Information	(NSS) to GGC health and safety	corporate admin		
9	Field Safety Notice				

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10	Health protection alert	Public Health Scotland	PPH	As requested by Consultant	GGC Public Health Protection Unit will
		(PHS)		in Public Health.	screen and share info as required.
		UKHSA		PPH via Pharmacy Services weekly bulletin	Usually for information. Advice on actions to be provided if applicable.

^{*}See policy document for details on action required.