

Update Community Pharmacy



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Scottish Patient Safety Programme - Pharmacy in Primary Care (SPSP-PPC) Collaborative

NHS GGC was successful in obtaining funding from the Health Foundation, along with three other Scottish Boards, to test the SPSP-PPC Collaborative in community pharmacies. The Scottish Patient Safety Programme (Primary Care) is keen to expand its efforts to improve patient safety in the community pharmacy setting following on from the success of similar work currently underway within GP practices. Within GGC, efforts will focus on the 10 community pharmacies in Paisley as a feature of the Renfrewshire Development Programme.

Year 1 will focus on reducing the co-prescribing of high risk drugs, particularly NSAIDs as these are known to be associated with an increased risk of GI bleeding and kidney damage. Community pharmacists are ideally placed to identify at risk patients and work in collaboration with prescribers to review clinical need whilst providing educational support to patients should their treatment change.

Year 2 will require greater involvement by community pharmacy in the medicines reconciliation process and the development of joint working practices with GPs and acute pharmacy colleagues from the RAH.

The SPSP-PPC collaborative will be formally launched by Health Improvement Scotland in Edinburgh on 25th/26th November with the programme continuing until June 2016.

Self Care Leaflet



The attachment is a copy of a self-help guide that contains useful information and advice to patients on practical alternatives to an antibiotic.

Copies can be personalised to individual patients.

Inadine Dressings

You will now have received your pack containing information about the STOP campaign and a sheet relating to the treatment of burns. Please note that since the facts were published, Inadine dressings are no longer on the GGC Formulary and have been replaced by Povitulle.

Sale of P Medicines and the Which Report

The next meeting of the West Central Scotland Local Practice Forum is scheduled for 4 December in the Premier Inn, 187 George Street when discussions will focus on the sale of P medicines, Which mystery shopper visits and the GPhC Premises Standards Inspections. Recent press reports on the inappropriate sale of laxatives and previous adverse comment from Which suggest this remains a hot topic. The event is open to RPS members and their staff including Pre-Regs, technicians, dispensers and counter staff. Please register by emailing names to scotinfo@rpharms.com

NHS GGC Area Pharmaceutical Committee – at the October meeting members....



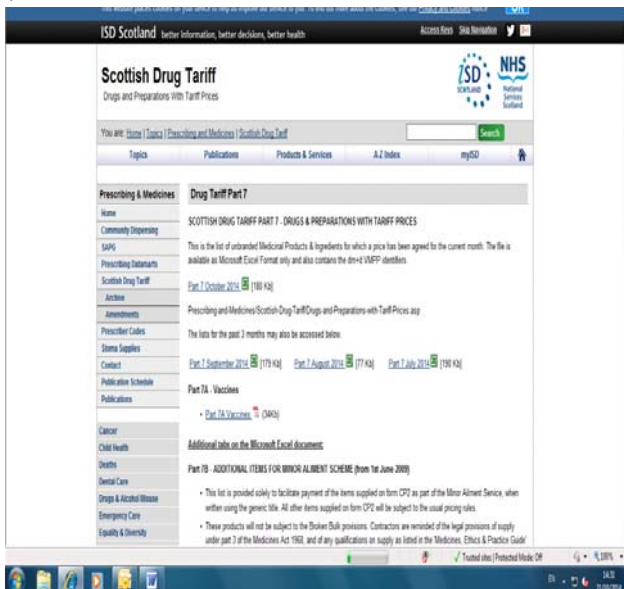
- Heard about progress on the development of Integrated Joint Boards from Catriona Renfrew, Director of Corporate Planning and Policy at NHS GGC. Catriona's presentation led to discussion on the impact of restructuring on the delivery of pharmacy services in NHS GGC and how pharmacy will provide advice to the integrated boards when they are in place.
- Received a comprehensive update from Elaine Paton on the Prescription for Excellence development day and plans to form an advisory group to inform and oversee the development work to take forward Prescription for Excellence within NHS GGC
- Noted, following discussion, the current situation regarding the Chronic Medication Service and look forward to receiving a progress report at their next meeting
- Considered consultations on Draft Guidance for registered pharmacies providing internet and distance sale, supply or service provision and Proposals for an Offence of Wilful Neglect or Ill treatment in Health and Social care Settings.

Endorsement of Part 7S/ part 7U Specials

Recent analysis of 'Specials' prescribing data highlighted that a significant number of Part 7S or Part 7U items were not being paid at Drug Tariff (DT) prices. Further investigation has shown that the community pharmacy contractor is endorsing the prescription with the invoice price which can be significantly less than the Tariff price.

To ensure that the contractor is reimbursed appropriately, items listed in Part 7S or Part 7U should not be endorsed with a price (as per a normal Part 7 drug). DT listed prices also include a handling charge component. Please note that Out of Pocket Expenses are not usually paid (unless authorised by the Health Board for urgent next day delivery).

The list of items included in Part 7S or Part 7U is updated monthly, along with the current price, and is available from the ISD website at <http://www.isdscotland.org/Health-Topics/Prescribing-and-Medicines/Scottish-Drug-Tariff/Drugs-and-Preparations-with-Tariff-Prices.asp>. Click on the relevant Excel spreadsheet for the current month:



Once opened, look in the bottom left corner and click on the correct tab and the list of items will open up. (Please note, only Magnaphate is paid at Tariff prices; all other brands of magnesium glycerophosphate should be authorised in the normal way).

Code	Brand Name	Formulation	Strength	Quantity	Price
151111100001150	Amibonds	Tablets	50mg	25	1500
151111100001151	Amidrone	Tablets	100mg	25	157
151111100001152	Amidrone	Tablets	200mg	25	162
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151111100001192	Amidrone	Tablets	4200mg	25	362
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151111100001194	Amidrone	Tablets	4400mg	25	372
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European Antibiotic Awareness Day (EAAD) 2014

Antimicrobial resistance is a major public health issue and an important threat to the future of healthcare. EAAD is an annual event held on 18th November this year with the focus across Europe on the role of pharmacists in managing use of antibiotics. This is an excellent platform for raising professional and public awareness of the problem of antimicrobial resistance and in Scotland EAAD activities are organised by the Scottish Antimicrobial Prescribing Group. Further details can be found at <http://www.scottishmedicines.org.uk/SAPG/European-Antibiotic-Awareness-Day/European-Antibiotic-Awareness-Day>

The Scottish Government has funded printing and distribution of EAAD resources to NHS board Antimicrobial Management Teams for use in hospitals and GP Practices. This year's EAAD activities also include a community pharmacy initiative which has been developed through collaborative working with Community Pharmacy Scotland, the Royal Pharmaceutical Society Scottish Department and Pharmacy Voice. A resource pack containing a poster, patient information leaflets, self care information sheets and Antibiotic Guardian quizzes is being distributed to all community pharmacies in Scotland during week beginning 17th November.

Pharmacists are being encouraged to:

- Undertake a Continuing Professional Development (CPD) activity to increase their knowledge about antibiotics and management of infection.
- Join the AntibioticGuardian.com pledge campaign at antibioticguardian.com to make a personal and collective action to keep antibiotics active and to promote the message and the website to colleagues and patients and encourage them to pledge also.
- Display the Poster enclosed in the resource pack during the week of 17th November.
- Use the resource pack to raise awareness of the issue with patients and the public.
- Support patients and carers to manage self limiting infections without antibiotics.

The Royal College of General Practitioners has developed a self help guide for treating common self limiting infections with the aim of it being used in consultations to support the decision not to give an antibiotic where it is not clinically indicated. This guide has been endorsed by various key professional organisations and has now been adapted for use by community pharmacies within Scotland. The leaflet is designed to manage patients' expectations of illness duration and also highlights potentially serious symptoms that warrant further review. The guide can be personalised to document what advice and pharmacy medicine was recommended and also as a referral tool for patients that the pharmacist has concerns about. The guide can be accessed on the RCGP website at <http://www.rcgp.org.uk/clinical-and-research/target-antibiotics-toolkit.aspx>