

PharmOutcomes Communication

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Dear Colleagues,

New Minor Ailments Scheme

You should be aware that from the 1st June 2018, Dudley CCG, Sandwell & West Birmingham CCG and Wolverhampton CCG will commission a new Minor Ailments Scheme from community pharmacy. This new Minor Ailments Scheme (MAS) will be available for patients of all ages who are exempt from prescription charges. The scheme is only available to patients registered with a participating GP Surgery in Dudley, Sandwell & West Birmingham and Wolverhampton CCG areas.

Service provider pharmacies are required to sign up to offer the new MAS scheme via an online sign-up form. The link to the sign-up form is: <https://www.elesurvey.co.uk/f/615070/4f41/> Once the sign-up form has been completed, service providers will be accredited to offer the service. Service providers will then receive an NHS standard contract for completion and signature. The completed contract will need to be returned to the MLCSU Pharmacy Services team, Kingston House, 438 - 450 High Street, West Bromwich, B70 9LD.

Once accredited and when accessing the new Minor Ailments Service platform on PharmOutcomes (for the first time only), individual practitioners will need to enrol. Once the enrolment phase is complete, providers will be able to record details of MAS consultations.

Please be aware that the service specification, formulary and treatment protocols can be accessed and downloaded via the new Minor Ailments Service platform on PharmOutcomes and from the online sign-up form link above. Attached to this communication is a poster that should be displayed in your pharmacy, highlighting the scheme.

Please note the existing U16s NHSE commissioned Pharmacy First Scheme (available across Birmingham and the Black Country) CEASES on the 31st May 2018. The O16s CCG commissioned Pharmacy First Scheme (available in Dudley CCG and Wolverhampton CCG areas) CEASES on the 31st May 2018 also. Service providers should be aware that a short window is available until midnight on the 4th June 2018, to ensure you have recorded all Pharmacy First consultations that have taken place up to and including the 31st May 2018. **There will be no extensions to these dates.**

Kind regards

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