

This daily update contains important information for community pharmacy teams about the ongoing response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

In today's update: SSP07 and SSP010 extended; registering for RTEC; Drug Tariff notices.

Extension of SSP07 and SSP010

The Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC) has provided an update on the Serious Shortage Protocols (SSPs) for Fluoxetine 30mg capsules (SSP07) and Levothyroxine 12.5mcg tablets (SSP010).

SSP07 for Fluoxetine 30mg capsules was previously expected to expire on 12th March 2021 but the end date has been further extended to **17th May 2021**.

SSP010 for Levothyroxine 12.5mcg tablets was previously expected to expire on 12th March 2021 but the end date has been further extended to **19th March 2021**.

Learn more about these SSPs

Reminder: Use MYS to register for RTEC

Before Real-Time Exemption Checking (**RTEC**) can be activated for an individual pharmacy, the pharmacy contractor must confirm they agree to the terms of the RTEC user agreement. Contractors can now read the RTEC user agreement and confirm their acceptance of it via an RTEC registration form in the NHSBSA's MYS application.

NHSBSA and PSNC are recommending that contractors complete this form in MYS as soon as possible to avoid delays in their system supplier activating RTEC as part of their rollout programme.

Read more about RTEC

See PSNC's RTEC webpage

Drug Tariff Notices

PSNC's Dispensing and Supply Team publishes a number of regular updates which may help community pharmacy teams keep track of the status of products in the Drug Tariff.

Where appliances are listed for deletion, products are given discount not deducted (DND) status, or items are re-classified as special containers, the changes can impact their reimbursement on NHS prescription. It is therefore important for pharmacy teams to be aware of when such changes take place.

PSNC updates the following pages every month:

- Drug Tariff Appliance Watch: Notice of Deletion
- Notice of changes to discount not deducted (DND) status of products
- Notice of changes to special container status of products

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