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| PSNC Newsletter |
| Monday 24th April 2023 |

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|  | This newsletter from PSNC is sent on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. It contains important information for those that work in the community pharmacy sector.In this update: NHSE contraception service launch; EPS tokens factsheet; Updated HRT medicines list; supply notice.NHSE contraception service launchThe Pharmacy Contraception Service launches today, as announced earlier this month by NHS England (NHSE).Today’s start date for the service was not agreed with PSNC and it is in in direct contradiction of [**our warning to Ministers that no new or expanded services can be rolled out in 2023/24 unless extra funding is put into community pharmacies**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=7aa0888bf7&e=d19e9fd41c).Responding to this announcement, **PSNC Chief Executive Janet Morrison** said:"We have repeated our concerns to the Department in recent days and reminded them of the potential for a properly funded community pharmacy sector to play a greater role in providing clinical solutions and relieving pressures elsewhere in primary care."[**Read PSNC's response in full**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=d6f5f74c0f&e=d19e9fd41c)Reminder: EPS Tokens factsheetPSNC has published a factsheet for community pharmacy teams explaining how to order tokens for the Electronic Prescription Service (EPS) and escalate issues, if necessary. Please note, Primary Care Support England (PCSE) is responsible for distributing tokens and administering the ordering portal.[**Read the factsheet**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=f06b096057&e=d19e9fd41c)Updated PSNC HRT medicines listPSNC has updated its HRT medicines list for pharmacy teams. Changes have been made to the list originally issued by PSNC, so pharmacy staff need to ensure they are using this most up-to-date version. The updated version is available here: [**PSNC HRT medicines poster**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=1c6760f90b&e=d19e9fd41c)\*\*Please note: you may need to hard refresh to refer to the most up-to-date version.**Pharmacy staff are advised to check the NHSBSA website for**[**an up-to-date list of HRT medicines covered by the HRT PPC**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=2b05e49437&e=d19e9fd41c).****New Medicine Supply Notification****The Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC) has issued a medicine supply notification for **Oxybutynin 5mg modified-release tablets.**A copy of this medicine supply notification, including further information for pharmacy teams, has been sent to all pharmacy NHS email addresses.[**Find out more**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=92396dcba9&e=d19e9fd41c) |  |
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