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| PSNC Newsletter |
| Friday 12th May 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: DHSC and NHS England publish letter on CPCF arrangements; PSNC webinar on Government plans and the negotiation process; SSPs expiry updateDHSC and NHS England contractor letter publishedThe Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC) and NHS England have published a letter to community pharmacy owners updating them on the Community Pharmacy Contractual Framework (CPCF) arrangements. The letter brings together updates on services, funding and the imposition of regulatory changes in this financial year as previously announced.  There are a few points in the letter contractors may want to note: * The [**£645m investment in community pharmacies as was announced this week**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=b1abdef46d&e=d19e9fd41c) and which is now the subject of negotiations.
* The welcome commitment to continuing work to alleviate pressures on the sector.
* The commitment to reviewing the possibility of permanently removing the requirement for a practice-based audit.
* The continued rollout of the NHS Pharmacy Contraception Service – this service is now the subject of negotiations and we have issued the following FAQ on it.
* A number of proposed changes to funding and reimbursement arrangements.

[**Continue reading**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=11ce731385&e=d19e9fd41c) ****PSNC webinar: Pharmacy Funding, Common Conditions and the Negotiations****Following the Government announcement of a £645m investment into community pharmacies, we will be holding a **webinar on Monday 22nd May** to explain to pharmacy owners what will happen next and to hear your views on the news and the future.In the webinar, led by PSNC Chief Executive Janet Morrison, we will talk about what we know about the wider policy context to this announcement, set out how the negotiations will work and our approach to them, and hear your thoughts and questions.[**Register for the webinar**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=918da0ea78&e=d19e9fd41c)Expiry of fourteen SSPsDHSC has confirmed that sufficient stock of the following products are now available to meet normal demand.* Sandrena® 0.5mg gel sachets
* Sandrena® 1mg gel sachets
* Lipitor® 10mg chewable tablets
* Phenoxymethylpenicillin 125mg/5ml oral solution
* Phenoxymethylpenicillin 125mg/5ml oral solution sugar free
* Phenoxymethylpenicillin 250mg/5ml oral solution
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* Phenoxymethylpenicillin 250mg tablets
* Paracetamol 120mg suppositories
* Paracetamol 240mg suppositories

As a result 14 Serious Shortage Protocols (full list on [**our website**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=5bd0228036&e=d19e9fd41c)),**will expire at 23.59pm on Friday 12 May**. After this date, any prescriptions for the above products must be dispensed in accordance with the prescription, and the SSPs will no longer be valid for use. [**Find out more**](https://psnc.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=d3de5b2d25&e=d19e9fd41c) |  |
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