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| The voice of community pharmacy (banner) |

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| **This newsletter - sent on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays - contains important information and resources to support community pharmacies across England.** |

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| ****In this update: New Pharmacy Minister announced; NHS App to include EPS items; Pharmacist Development Needs Survey.**** |

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| New Pharmacy Minister AppointedDame Andrea Leadsom MP has been appointed as the new minister with responsibility for pharmacy in the Department for Health & Social Care (DHSC). She takes over the position of Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Patient Safety and Primary Care from Neil O’Brien MP.Dame Andrea will have a wide-ranging portfolio including responsibility for primary care, community health, public health and maternity care.In response to this news today our CEO Janet Morrison shared the following statement. |

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| [**Read more**](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=ba81575c36&e=d19e9fd41c)  |

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| ****Patients to see EPS information within the NHS App****In a new feature for the NHS App, patients will be able to view their EPS prescribed items. The app will show the items prescribed, the prescription type (repeat or one-off) and who the prescriber is.NHS England successfully piloted this new feature with four GP practices in a West Yorkshire primary care network last month, working closely with nearby pharmacies and the Local Pharmaceutical Committee (LPC). National rollout of this functionality will happen by year-end.  Further information in the form of FAQs is available in our article.[Find out more](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=89fa3e0dac&e=d19e9fd41c)  |

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| National Advanced Pharmacist Development Needs AssessmentThe Royal Pharmaceutical Society (RPS) and education commissioning bodies across Great Britain are jointly conducting a study to gauge the advanced-level practice needs of UK pharmacists against the RPS [Core Advanced Curriculum](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=b6a6bd076e&e=d19e9fd41c). They're exploring if participant characteristics are linked to these needs. Responses to this survey will inform discussions on advancing practice. If you're a pharmacist registered with the General Pharmaceutical Council or Pharmaceutical Society of Northern Ireland in the UK, you are invited to respond to the survey. The survey closes **Wednesday 6th December 2023.**[Find out more](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=adca44391d&e=d19e9fd41c) |

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