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The letter also states that, from 31st January, pharmacy teams will have access to a new Pharmacy First IT module in their chosen clinical services IT system.  Commenting on the announcement, our CEO Janet Morrison said: | | | | |  | | --- | | [**Read more**](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=b5967806b5&e=d19e9fd41c) | | | |  | | --- | |  | | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Pharmacy First: Round-up ahead of 31st January ****Drop-in sessions**** We will be hosting a series of online drop-in sessions around the launch date of the Pharmacy First service to assist pharmacy owners and their teams with any queries they may have about the service. The drop-in sessions will be held online at 1-2pm on specific dates between 29th January and 8th February.  [How to join the drop-in sessions](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=d163c204c8&e=d19e9fd41c)  ****Updated informational resources**** This week we updated our implementation checklists for pharmacy owners pharmacists, developed a template letter/email to introduce GP practices to the service, and published videos talking you through each of the clinical pathways.  [Learn more and view the resources](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=07402d3c87&e=d19e9fd41c)  ****Promotional materials**** Ahead of a public PR campaign from the NHS, we have released a series of resources to help pharmacies promote the new Pharmacy First service to patients. Our new Dropbox folder allows you to easily download the latest versions of some or all of the following resources:  * Posters for display within pharmacies and more general use; * Social media tiles and suggested social media posts; * Videos and digital screen graphics; * Small flyers; and * A template local press release for the Pharmacy First launch.   [Download the Pharmacy First promotional resources](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=e31f5eecb3&e=d19e9fd41c) | | | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | | | | |  | | --- | |  | | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Pharmacy owners can now watch a recording of our recent webinar about Drug Tariff Category M and retained margin on-demand. Around 500 people registered for the webinar held earlier this week, which aimed to provide pharmacy owners with a better understanding of the processes behind the delivery of margin, our work in this area, and how Category M fits into wider funding mechanisms. Approximately 70% of attendees told us that they found it quite or very useful.  As we have been arguing for many months, the current community pharmacy funding envelope is not large enough to support the existing network of pharmacies sustainably. We are pressing DHSC very hard to protect pharmacy owners from pricing shocks and we have shared the feedback received during this webinar with them in full. At our upcoming meeting, Committee Members will be considering whether radical change is needed in the way margin is delivered to pharmacies.  [Click here to view an on-demand version of the webinar](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=3af8ff47f2&e=d19e9fd41c) | | | | |  | | --- | |  | | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Dispensing and Supply updates **Reimbursement of Riluzole and Rilutek® tablets for January 2024** Following supplier list price changes, the Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC) has clarified that increased reimbursement prices will apply to NHS prescriptions for Riluzole 50mg tablets (Part VIIIA Category A) and Rilutek® 50mg tablets dispensed in January 2024. [See the actual reimbursement prices](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=031a5ef617&e=d19e9fd41c)  **Medicine Supply Notification: Norethisterone (Noriday® )** DHSC has issued a medicine supply notification for Norethisterone (Noriday®) 350microgram tablets, which are out of stock until mid-February 2024. Alternative progestogen-only oral contraceptives remain available and can support increased demand. [Find out more about this](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=fb1915db34&e=d19e9fd41c) | | | | |  | | --- | |  | | | |  | | --- | | [Community Pharmacy England banner](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=61026b46b8&e=d19e9fd41c) | | | |  | | --- | |  | | | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [Twitter](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=4ead2b16de&e=d19e9fd41c) | | | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [Facebook](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=fbab266072&e=d19e9fd41c) | | | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [LinkedIn](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=ec7b30f345&e=d19e9fd41c) | | | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [Website](https://cpe.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=86d41ab7fa4c7c2c5d7210782&id=6471c763ae&e=d19e9fd41c) | | | | | | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Community Pharmacy England** Address: 14 Hosier Lane, London EC1A 9LQ Tel: 0203 1220 810 | Email: [comms.team@cpe.org.uk](mailto:comms.team@cpe.org.uk)  Copyright © 2024 Community Pharmacy England, All rights reserved.  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