

If you are part of a pharmacy group or multiple, please liaise with your company managers/head office as necessary.

SUBJECT	REQUIREMENT	DEADLINE	ACTIONS AND LINKS	TICK WHEN COMPLETED
Prescription Fee increase to £9.65	Pharmacy Income	From 1 st April 2023	The new prescription fee will be increasing to £9.65 from 1st April 2023 . The cost of PPCs has also increased, with the price of a three-month PPC at £31.25 (an increase of £1.00) and a 12-month PPC at £111.60 (an increase of £3.50).	
Bank Holiday Dates	Contractual requirement	ACT NOW	Copy of the Easter 2023 Rota attached. Link	
NHSE Extended Care Tier 3 Service	Contractual requirement	ACT NOW	The current LES agreement for the NHSE Midlands Extended Care Service Tier 3 expires shortly. The revised LES agreement will take effect from 31 st March 2023. <i>There has been no update to the current PGDs.</i> If you are a current provider and wish to continue to provide the service please sign and return to england.eastmidpharmacy@nhs.net before 31 st March 2023.	
Hypertension Case Finding Service	Pharmacy Income	ACT NOW	Contractors signed up in 2021/22 or 2022/23 but not achieving 5 ABPM interventions in 2021/22 or 15 ABPM interventions in 2022/23 and contractors who signed up from 3rd April 2023 must achieve 20 ABPM interventions in year 5 to receive the £1,000 payment. There are no follow up payments achievable.	
Hepatitis C Testing Service and Hepatitis C Testing Service – Point of Care Test (POCT) kit	Pharmacy Income	ACT NOW	This service will continue until 31st March 2023 . Claim via MYS (by the 5th day of the following month after completion of a test)	
Top tips to claim for and reconcile SSP payments	Pharmacy Income	ACT NOW	PSNC understands that a large number SSP claims continue to be deemed invalid by the NHSBSA due to incorrect endorsements applied by PMR systems and/or pharmacy staff. For support: See more information here	

service specification published	Income / Advanced service		Contraception Service is now available to download from the NHS BSA website. The specification includes the training requirements for the service, which is expected to commence in early 2023, with the service's exact start date yet to be agreed. Read the Pharmacy Contraception Service spec	
Blood Pressure Checks Webinar	Pharmacy Income/ Advanced Service	ON DEMAND WATCH NOW	Thank you to those contractors who joined us on the Blood Pressure Check Advanced Service. If you weren't able to join, please find the link here . It will also be available to access on our website shortly along with supporting resources.	
Other Payment Deadlines	Pharmacy income	5 th of the month	For up-to-date information regarding deadlines for national service claims and other deadlines please access information here	
Local Services	Contractual requirement	5 th of the month	Please ensure you claim all your locally commissioned services by the 5th of each month.	
Calendar of national campaigns	Contractual requirement	Reminder	Please find here National campaigns, awards and awareness days to help you plan activities for the year.	
NHSmail changes: keeping your account active	Contractual requirement	Reminder	To increase the security of the NHSmail system, the NHSmail team will shortly be making changes to the system that will impact users. From 1st December 2022 , personal NHSmail accounts which are not used for 30 days will be marked inactive and inactive accounts which are not activated within the following 30 days will be deleted. More information here	
DoS PHARMACY HOURS	Contractual requirement	Reminder	Pharmacies must ensure there is a comprehensive and accurate profile for their pharmacy in the Directory of Services (DoS). Information contained in DoS at least once each quarter of the financial year. The financial quarters are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1st April to 30th June • 1st July to 30th September • 1st October to 31st December • 1st January to 31st March. 	

Stress Awareness Month Increasing public awareness about both the causes and cures for our modern stress epidemic.	Information	APRIL 2023	The Stress Management Society - From Distress to De-Stress	
Lesbian Visibility Day	Information	26 th April 2023	Recognises and celebrates the contributions of lesbians. Calendar of national campaigns NHS Employers	
On Your Feet Britain: #SitLess and #MoveMore at work.	Information	27 th April 2023	National Walking Month Living Streets	
World Day For Safety And Health At Work 28 April 2023	Information	28 th April 2023	World Day For Safety And Health At Work 2023 - Awareness Days Events Calendar 2023	
PharmOutcomes	Pharmacy Income	ACT NOW	Check PharmOutcomes a minimum of three time a day for referrals for the following services: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Community Pharmacy Consultation Service (GP and 111 pathways) • The Discharge Medicines Service • The Hypertension Case Finding • The Smoking Cessation Service 	

If you require additional support from the LPC, please contact any member of the LLR LPC team:

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