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Dear Mr Patel

Re: Community Pharmacy

I was most grateful for the Leicestershire and Rutland Community Pharmacy briefing update received earlier this week.

I agree with the assessment within the newsletter about the benefits of the Pharmacy First service. I also noted the development of the Pharmacy Contraception Service and Blood Pressure Check services which I know will make a difference to my constituents.

Regarding your asks of LLR MPs, I hope that you will be pleased to know that I have already visited a pharmacy in my constituency. Please visit the following weblink and the enclosed image: <https://www.facebook.com/drlukeevansmp/posts/803130658299490>.

The visit was most helpful to inform my work at Westminster.

I also note your request to sign a cross-party letter to the Health Secretary. Regrettably due to limitations as a Parliamentary Private Secretary, I would be unable to sign a joint letter. Nevertheless, I am supportive of your work in LLR, and please keep me informed of developments especially in Bosworth.

I wish you well as move towards the end of April.

Yours sincerely

Dr Luke Evans
Member of Parliament for Bosworth