



Community Pharmacy Deadline Tracker October 2025

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

DO NOW	Deadline	Action and links	Tick
Pharmacy Profile Update	1 July – 30 September 2025	Ensure your Directory of Services and NHS website profiles are up to date by updating your NHS Profile Manager This quarter starts 1 July 2025 and ends on the 30 September 2025, but we encourage you to do this ahead of the August Bank Holiday	
Palliative Care Audit	By 30 September 2025	To ensure payment is received, please ensure that you complete your quarterly palliative care audit for Quarter 2 2025/26 (1 July – 30 September 2025)	
Mandatory Workforce Survey	21 November 2025	NHS England's mandatory Workforce Survey is now open, and pharmacy owners have until 11.59pm on Friday 21 November 2025 to complete it <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Learn more about the survey and how to complete it 	

CONTRACT & FUNDING	Deadline	Action and links	Tick
PQS: The Antimicrobial Stewardship	1 September 2025 – 31 March 2026	Pharmacy First Consultations Clinical Audit can be started from 1 September 2025 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The 2025/26 clinical audit should be conducted from 1 September 2025 and completed no later than 31 March 2026 	
Regulatory Changes	1 October 2025	Several regulatory changes are due to come into effect on the 1 st October 2025 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Find out more here 	
Changes for Distance Selling Pharmacies (DSPs)	1 October 2025	Distance selling premises (DSP) pharmacies will only be able to deliver Directed services (Advanced, National Enhanced, and Enhanced services) remotely from the distance selling premises, similar to their delivery of Essential services OR, if the service specification permits, face-to-face with the patient, off-site <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Find out more here View the CPE FAQ page here and read the news story here 	
Pharmacy First	1 October 2025	The minimum activity requirement for Pharmacy First will increase to require pharmacy owners to deliver ONE ABPM consultation per month , in addition to meeting the other requirements already in place <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Find out more here Revised Clinical Pathways & PGDs. Final versions can be found here 	
Pharmacy Contraception Service (PCS)	9 & 29 October 2025	Important information to note: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Expansion of service to include oral emergency contraception with a fee of £20 per consultation, plus the cost of any EC provided to the patient Addition of Pharmacy Technicians allowed to provide the service Addition of Drospirenone to the progesterone PGD to enable the supply of this medicine Download the CPE briefing on what's changing here CPE – PCS Webinar – Thursday 9 October (7:30pm) Book here 	
New Medicines Service (NMS)	29 October 2025	Expansion of service to include depression as an eligible therapeutic area <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The revised service specification and drug list can be viewed here 	

OPERATIONAL	Deadline	Action and links	Tick
CPE Funding & Reimbursements Shorts	Ongoing	A new 'End of Month Submission Process' short has been released <ul style="list-style-type: none"> View the video and important information here 	
Patient-Led Ordering Feedback	Ongoing	We're requesting your feedback and comments will help us resolve issues and inform future support <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Click to complete the short form 	
EPS Nomination Principles	Ongoing	Community pharmacy teams are reminded of the importance of always aligning with the EPS nomination principles and upholding patient choice <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Find out more here Read the one-page fact sheet here 	
NHS Mail	Ongoing	Ensure you access your personal NHS.net email regularly (at least once every 30 days) to avoid your account being deleted <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Further information is available here 	

SERVICES	Deadline	Action and links	Tick
Flu & COVID-19 Vaccination Programme	Various	Key dates and important information to note: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 October: Children's Flu vaccination starts. Don't forget to register if you want to participate – Find out more here Children's Flu Vac: Resources available here including ned checklist for Pharmacists and Pharmacy Owners 1 October: Flu vaccination starts for all other eligible adults and COVID-19 vaccinations begin Find out more here View the service specification and updates here 	
Draft Service Specifications Released	Available Now	New draft versions of the Pharmacy First and Pharmacy Contraception Service have been published <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pharmacy First Clinical Pathways and PGDs – More info here Pharmacy Contraception Service – View here 	

TRAINING & EVENTS	Deadline	Action and links	Tick
VirtualOutcomes	Ongoing	All pharmacies in Cheshire and Wirral have FREE access to online training. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> View the new 'Flu Vaccination' module that only takes 10 minutes complete - View here Explore the comprehensive library of courses available here 	

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