**Community Pharmacy Deadline Tracker – September 2024**

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

| **Subject** | **Actions and links** | **Tick when done** |
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| **National Booking System for flu vaccination**  **1st September 2024** | **NHS England extend use of NBS for flu vaccination** All community pharmacies offering the Flu Vaccination Advanced Service can now use the National Booking System (NBS) to schedule appointments.    Following a successful pilot in the North West, this expansion allows eligible patients to book flu appointments via the NBS. NHS England is asking pharmacies interested in using the system (and who don’t already have access to NBS) to complete the NBS flu form by 1st September 2024. If you want to take up the offer NHS England is asking pharmacies to complete their [NBS flu form](https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=slTDN7CF9UeyIge0jXdO4xHLr-pZuEVHuidtYdUpvC5UQ1pJM0JaTDZCMDIyODhCREJXQVY4UkFHOC4u) by 1st September 2024.  [Learn more](https://url6.mailanyone.net/scanner?m=1sgp2m-0000000027E-2nBU&d=4%7Cmail%2F90%2F1724260800%2F1sgp2m-0000000027E-2nBU%7Cin6d%7C57e1b682%7C9995014%7C12140348%7C66C622683E0A96DCB8143474A015F4B0&o=%2Fphtp%3A%2Fctsise.t.lsu7.n-mogecaa%2Frm%2Flckcta6%3Fic4%3D8dkuc71aca47bf0d2c8217571d2%26d8a2i%3D%3Df5a4%26e8f372b3ef85&s=023pN4cz3f6nUl0rkVBwBXe3vQo) |  |
| **Get ready for Flu** | Check the [latest information](https://cpe.org.uk/national-pharmacy-services/advanced-services/flu-vaccination-service/) published by CPE to ensure you are ready to deliver the flu service:  • Read the latest Flu Letter from the DHSC, PHE & NHSE&I  • Service Specification & PGD Please note flu vaccinations for pregnant women only, will commence from Sunday 1 September 2024.  The main flu and COVID-19 vaccination campaigns will both commence on Thursday 3 October 2024. This start date reflects JCVI advice that the flu vaccine’s effectiveness can wane over time in adults and so a later start date is preferable. |  |
| **Pharmacy First Thresholds** | At the time of publication, the activity threshold for clinical pathway consultations for September 2024 increases to 20.  This means you have to provide a minimum of 20 consultations that pass the gateway point to be eligible for the £1,000 monthly payment  Access the new Pharmacy First Top Tips from [VirtualOutcomes](http://VirtualOutcomes) here  Access the new CPE Pharmacy First [myth-busting here](https://cpe.org.uk/our-news/pharmacy-first-myth-busting-series-1/) |  |
| **NHS Mail MFA Roll out for all users** | Multi-factor authentication (MFA) will soon be mandatory for all NHSmail users, with implementation starting from mid-August 2024.  The NHSmail team has outlined the following phases for the MFA rollout:   1. Existing users will be prompted to enable MFA, with a 14-day grace period. 2. By 2nd September, accounts without MFA will face stricter security requirements. 3. New users setting up personal accounts will be required to enable MFA during sign-up   Find out more [here](https://cpe.org.uk/our-news/nhsmail-multi-factor-authentication-rolls-out-for-all-users/). |  |
| **NHS Pharmacy Profile Update**  **30th September 2024** | Ensure your DoS and NHS.uk website pharmacy profile is comprehensive and accurate by updating via the NHS Profile Manager. Verify and, where necessary, update the information contained in the profile at least once each quarter.  The deadline for the current quarter is 30th September 2024 |  |
| **Community Pharmacy Masterclass Series** | Venn Health has organised a series of interactive training sessions to support Devon community pharmacists to support minor illness and long-term conditions.  There are four sessions – the first one is 17th September 2024 on ENT and hypertension. Booking details [here.](https://devon.communitypharmacy.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/sites/20/2024/08/Venn-Community-Pharmacy-Masterclass-Full-Generic-1.pdf) |  |
| **Virtual Outcomes** | Access to Virtual Outcomes is again FREE for our Devon Pharmacy Teams. Access the new modules for the Hypertension Case Finding Service and the Pharmacy Contraception Service from the Virtual Outcomes website [here](https://www.virtualoutcomes.co.uk/pharmacy-training/).  There are new modules available to support Pharmacy First including common skin conditions. You can find them on [the VirtualOutcomes](https://www.workcast.com/register?cpak=1129247928806881) website and don’t forget, they are free to access. |  |
| **NHS Mail** | Ensure you access your personal NHS.net email regularly (at least once every 30 days) to avoid your account being deleted. Further information is available [here.](https://psnc.org.uk/our-news/nhsmail-changes-keeping-your-account-active/) |  |
| **PharmOutcomes Access** | Check that pharmacy staff have access to PharmOutcomes during all opening times, **especially when locums are on duty;** set-up additional accounts if needed. PharmOutcomes **must** be checked regularly throughout the day and referrals and messages received actioned. |  |
| **Community Pharmacy Devon Mailing List** | Encourage locums and the rest of your pharmacy team to join the LPC mailing list to ensure they are up to date with changes. Visit our [website](https://devon.communitypharmacy.org.uk/) or see below for sign up. |  |
| **Social media** | Follow us on:  Facebook: [Community Pharmacy Devon](https://www.facebook.com/DevonLPC/)  X formally Twitter @ [CommunityPharmacyDevon](https://twitter.com/DevonLPC)  Linkedin: [Community Pharmacy Devon](https://www.linkedin.com/company/2836251/admin/feed/posts/)  Important updates will be shared here for speed and wider awareness; all interested parties are invited to join. |  |

[**Link to CPE contractual payment tracker updated 29th April 2024**](https://cpe.org.uk/funding-and-reimbursement/monthly-payments/payment-timetable-and-deadline-tracker/)

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