

Community Pharmacies of the Future #2

Living well with medicines

New medicines service

People will be able to access support when they are newly prescribed a new medicine.

Integrated primary care offer for neighbourhoods

Enhanced Healthy Living Pharmacy activities

Increased activities focused on prevention and health inequalities will be undertaken and social prescribing will be offered from pharmacies working collaboratively with Primary Care Networks.

Discharge medicines service

People will be able to access support around their medicines when they are discharged from hospital.



Medicines optimisation services

As independent prescribers, pharmacists will be able to help patients to optimise their medicines regimens including offering the initiation of electronic repeat dispensing; structured medication reviews; pharmaceutical care plans; therapeutic drug monitoring; and pharmacogenomics services.



Deprescribing and amendment of prescriptions

As independent prescribers, pharmacists will be able to synchronise prescriptions; carry out interventions to improve adherence; optimise therapy with formulation changes; and amend treatment to address supply chain shortages.

Annual reviews

People will be able to have their annual reviews, for conditions such as diabetes and asthma, including medicines optimisation support.

Adherence support services

People will be able to access support to help them gain the maximum value from their medicines. For example, people who are prescribed an inhaler will have their inhaler technique assessed when starting treatment and then regularly during treatment.

Direct referral to services

Pharmacists will be able to directly refer people to other services and settings when clinically indicated, for example, for blood tests and to secondary care where appropriate, rather than sending patients back to their GP practice.

