# **Community Pharmacy Tracker – October 2021**

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

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| **New Year’s Day Opening** | Contractual | 30th September 2021 | The 1st January 2022 is a normal working for community pharmacy contractors. You must notify / apply to NHSE&I for any changes no later than the 30th September 2021.  Access the PSNC briefing [here](https://psnc.org.uk/contract-it/psnc-briefings-pharmacy-contract-and-it/psnc-briefing-018-21-pharmacy-opening-hours-in-the-remainder-of-2021-and-in-2022/). |  |
| **Update NHS Website & DOS (Directory of Service) Profile** | Contractual | By 30th September 2021 | Verify and, where necessary, update the information contained in your NHS website profile and your DOS profile at least once each quarter of the financial year. For the current financial quarter, the deadline for completing this is 30th September 2021.  Find out more on the [PSNC website](https://psnc.org.uk/our-news/reminder-requirement-to-update-nhs-website-and-dos-profile-by-end-of-september/). |  |
| **Changes to Pharmacy Collect (Lateral Flow Distribution Service)** | Service Delivery | From October 4th 2021 | Amendments to the service have been agreed from October 4th 2021.  Full details of the changes and an updated service specification are available on the [PSNC website](https://psnc.org.uk/services-commissioning/advanced-services/c-19-lateral-flow-device-distribution-service/). |  |
| **Hypertension Case Finding Service** | Webinar to support service delivery | 7th October 2021 | Book on to the PSNC webinar to support the service [here](https://psnc.org.uk/our-news/book-now-for-hypertension-case-finding-webinar/).  Find out more about the service on the [PSNC website](https://psnc.org.uk/services-commissioning/advanced-services/hypertension-case-finding-service/). |  |
| **CPCS IT Provision: Support for switchover** | Webinar to support service delivery | 14th October 2021 | Book your place on the NHSE&I webinar to find out more about the changes.  Further details can be found on the [PSNC website](https://psnc.org.uk/our-news/cpcs-it-provision-support-for-switchover/). |  |
| **NHS Flu Service** | Service Delivery | On-going | Read the latest [article](https://mailchi.mp/d73922824762/flu-vaccinations-vaccine-choice-and-queries?e=%5bUNIQID%5d) from your LPC regarding the choice of vaccine for this year’s flu season. |  |
| **Services to Care Homes** | COVID Vaccination requirement | Act now for the 11th November 2021 deadline | COVID-19 vaccination a requirement for people working or deployed in care homes from 11th November 2021, this includes community pharmacy staff entering care homes.  Further details and actions that must be followed are available on the [PSNC website](https://psnc.org.uk/our-news/vaccinations-when-working-or-deployed-in-care-homes/). |  |
| **PQS Aspiration Payment** | Pharmacy Income | 29th October 2021 | You will be able to claim an aspiration payment for PQS in advance of your full declaration. MYS will be open from 4th- 29th October.  Find out more on the [PSNC website](https://psnc.org.uk/services-commissioning/pharmacy-quality-scheme/). |  |
| **Pharmacy Quality Scheme** | Pharmacy income | On-going | Ensure your team is ready for PQS. Access the key resources below:   * [NHSE&I Guidance](https://www.england.nhs.uk/publication/pharmacy-quality-scheme-guidance-2021-22/) * Be ready to start the anti-coagulant audit: [See medicines safety and optimisation domain](https://psnc.org.uk/services-commissioning/pharmacy-quality-scheme/) * [PSNC Briefing 034/21: Pharmacy Quality Scheme – Important dates for the diary](https://psnc.org.uk/services-commissioning/psnc-briefings-services-and-commissioning/psnc-briefing-034-21-pharmacy-quality-scheme-important-dates-for-the-diary/) * [PSNC Briefing 025/21: Pharmacy Quality Scheme – Summary of the training requirements for the 2021/22 Scheme](https://psnc.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/08/PSNC-Briefing-025.21-PQS-Summary-of-the-training-requirements-for-the-2021-22-Scheme.-1.pdf) * [PSNC Briefing 029/21: Pharmacy Quality Scheme – Guidance for pharmacy contractors on the PCN domain (August 2021)](https://psnc.org.uk/services-commissioning/psnc-briefings-services-and-commissioning/psnc-briefing-029-21-pharmacy-quality-scheme-guidance-for-pharmacy-contractors-on-the-pcn-domain/) * [PSNC / Community Pharmacy Patient Safety Group - Resource to complete the patient safety report](https://psnc.org.uk/our-news/pqs-patient-safety-report-resource/) * Watch the [PSNC webinar](https://psnc.org.uk/our-news/pqs-2021-22-webinar-now-on-demand/) on demand * Access the PSNC [PQS hub page](https://psnc.org.uk/services-commissioning/pharmacy-quality-scheme/)   Complete the PharmOutcomes PQS Flu declaration if you haven’t already done so |  |
| **Requirement to submit NMS quarterly information** | Contractual | 10th working day of October | You are now required to re-start submitting your completed NMS summary data to NHSBSA each quarter.  Data must be submitted to the NHSBSA within 10 working days from the last day of the quarter. Find out more [here](https://psnc.org.uk/our-news/requirement-to-submit-nms-quarterly-information-returns/). |  |

Regular Tasks

The following tasks need to be completed on a daily / monthly basis:

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| **Local Services** | Pharmacy income | By the 5th | Please claim all your locally commissioned services by the 5th of the month. |  |
| **Pharmacy Profile Update** | Contractual | Quarterly | Ensure your Directory of Services and NHS website profiles are up to date and verify each quarter of the financial year. |  |
| **Check Shared Mailbox** | Pharmacy Business | Ongoing | NHSE&I regularly send important communications to your NHS Shared Mailbox.  Please ensure sufficient staff have access your Mailbox and that it is checked at least once daily. |  |
| **Virtual Outcomes** | Workforce training | Ongoing | A new module will be released every month. Access [here.](https://www.virtualoutcomes.co.uk/pharmacy-training/) |  |
| **LPC Mailing List** | Pharmacy Mailing List | Ongoing | Encourage your locums to join the LPC mailing list to ensure they are up to date with the rapidly changing pharmacy environment. |  |

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