

WARWICKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Supplementary Statement (No.4) to NHS Warwickshire's Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA)

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What is a Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment or PNA?

The Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA) presents a picture of pharmaceutical service need and provision, reviewing access, range and adequacy of service provision and choice of provider to build on the sectors capacity and capability to help address health inequalities and support self-care in areas of greatest need. Pharmaceutical services can be provided by Dispensing Doctors, Dispensing Appliance Contractors, Local Pharmaceutical Service Contractors as well as Community Pharmacies. PNAs are used to help guide decisions on which NHS funded services need to be provided by local community pharmacies and other providers. PNAs are also relevant when deciding if new pharmacies are needed, in response to market entry applications. Applications can be open to legal challenge if not handled properly. As a consequence it is important to have an up to date and locally relevant PNA.

Introduction

The Health Act 2009 amended the National Health Service Act 2006 to include provisions for regulations to set out the minimum standards for PNAs. The NHS (Pharmaceutical Services and Local Pharmaceutical Services) (Amendment) Regulations 2010 come into force on 24 May 2010 and placed a statutory duty on each Primary Care Trust (PCT) to develop and publish their first PNA by 1 February 2011. The NHS (Pharmaceutical Services) Regulations 2012 (the 2012 Regulations) came into force on 1 September 2012. These 2012 Regulations set out a number of duties on PCTs with regards their PNA.

Regulation 6(3) which provides for supplementary statements: *"Pending the publication of a statement of a revised assessment, a Primary Care Trust may publish a supplementary statement explaining changes to the availability of pharmaceutical services since the publication of its pharmaceutical needs assessment (and any such supplementary statement becomes part of that assessment), where – (a) the changes are relevant to the granting of applications referred to in section 129(2)(c)(i) or (ii) of the 2006 Act; and (b) the Primary Care Trust – (i) is satisfied that making a revised assessment would be a disproportionate response to those changes, or (i) is in course of making a revised assessment and is satisfied that immediate modification of its pharmaceutical needs assessment is essential in order to prevent significant detriment to the provision of pharmaceutical services in its area."*

Supplementary statements

Supplementary statements are statements of fact; they are not an assessment of need and are a way of updating what the PNA says about which services are provided and where. They are not a way of updating what the PNA says about needs. Once issued, a supplementary statement becomes part of the PNA (Regulation 6(3)).

Responsibility of the Health and Wellbeing Board (HWB)

PCTs were required to keep their PNAs up-to-date and, where changes to the availability of pharmaceutical services were identified, to either revise the assessment and/or issue a supplementary statement. From 1 April 2013 responsibility for PNAs transferred to Health and Wellbeing boards (HWBs). The Health and Wellbeing Board (HWB) has a legal duty to have checked the suitability of existing PNAs, compiled by primary care trusts (PCTs), and continue to publish any supplementary statements explaining any changes through new or changed local service provision. Each HWB will need to publish its own revised PNA for its area by 1st April 2015.

A. Warwickshire Contractors

The Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment of **NHS Warwickshire (January 2011)** summarised the list of contractor's names and addresses from which these services are provided and times when the services could be accessed. Subsequent supplementary statements highlighted changes to this information.

There have since been a number of further changes to this list. The current list with details for community pharmacies is attached. (Appendix 1: community pharmacy)

B. Enhanced pharmaceutical services

The pharmaceutical needs assessment of **NHS Warwickshire (January 2011) and subsequent Supplementary statements** summarised the list of enhanced pharmaceutical services that were at that time commissioned.

A. The following services have since been decommissioned:

1. Palliative Care

The service was decommissioned on 31st March 2014.

2. Advice to Care Homes

This service was a pilot and was decommissioned by Warwickshire PCT

3. Out of Hours Services (including Urgent Call Out and Special Bank Holidays)

The service was decommissioned on 31st March 2014. The growth of 100-hour pharmacies improved access over a longer period so there was no longer a need for this service.

B. The following services are still commissioned by Arden, Herefordshire & Worcestershire Area Team, NHS England

1. Minor Ailments Service (North Warwickshire only)

Commissioning of the following services has been continued although there have been some changes to the responsibility for commissioning, as stated. All contractors provided they are trained and accredited, will be authorised to deliver the services listed below. There is a requirement on the part of contractors to inform the commissioner of their decision to provide prior to introducing the new service.

C. The following services are commissioned from community pharmacies by Warwickshire County Council:

1. Emergency Hormonal Contraception
2. Chlamydia Testing and Treatment
3. Needle & Syringe Exchange
4. Supervised Administration (Consumption of Prescribed Medicines)
5. Stop Smoking Support Scheme

The following additional services are also commissioned from community pharmacies:

1. Seasonal Flu Vaccination (service commissioned by NHS England) 1st October 2013

D. The *Healthy Living Pharmacy* programme is running in Warwickshire. The following pharmacies provide this service currently:

A	Primary Care, 25 Coton Road, Warwickshire, CV11 5TW	Nuneaton
B	Kasli Pharmacy, 216-218 Tomkinson Road, Warwickshire, CV10 8BW	Nuneaton
C	W M Brown, Unit 2 Valley Road, Galley Common, Warks, CV10 9NH	Nuneaton
D	Grendon Pharmacy, 150 Boot Hill, Baddesley Ensor, Warks, CV9 2EW	
E	Bilton Pharmacy, 37 The Green, Bilton, Warwickshire, CV22 7LZ	Rugby
F	Lister Chemist, Bow Fell Shopping Centre, Hollowell Way, Brownsover, Warks, CV21 1LT	Rugby
G	Leyes Lane Pharmacy, 35 Leyes Lane, Warwickshire, CV8 2DE	Kenilworth
H	Wellesbourne Pharmacy, 5 Kineton Road, Warwickshire, CV35 9NE	Wellesbourne
I	Boots, 1 Westgate House, Market Street, Warwickshire, CV34 4DH	Warwick

This interim supplementary statement is issued prior to publication of a fully revised PNA on or before 1st April 2015.