

Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION – PHARMACY SERVICES

I write in response to your request for information in relation to Pharmacy Services.

Question:

1. What Additional Pharmaceutical Care Services or Locally Enhanced Pharmaceutical Care Services are currently provided by community pharmacies in NHS Lothian. Please include any services which are not commissioned as part of the nationally negotiated pharmacy contract
2. The number of pharmacies which have agreed to provide each service
3. The total spending (including fixed retainers and activity-based payments) for each service for the last full financial year in which it is available. If the service is provided under a block contract, please provide the annual contract value for the most recent financial year available.

Answer:

NHS Lothian Community Pharmacy Enhanced Services 2025-26		
	Number of community pharmacies offering the service	Spend in 2025-26 £'s
Treatment of Patients and Partners for Chlamydia or Non- specific Gonococcal Urethritis (NGU)	130	£8,610
Pharmaceutical Care of Patients Requiring Support with Adherence to Complex Medication Regimes (Hep C)	32	£37,105
Provision of Sharps Waste Disposal Service from Community Pharmacy	162	£28,290
The Supply of Urology Appliances via Community Pharmacy	163	£1,462,344

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Community Pharmacy Palliative Care Network Service (In hours service)	22	£77,257
Community Pharmacy Palliative Care Network Service (On Call Provision)	8	Included above
Community Pharmacy Take Home Naloxone Service	12	£4,035
Injection Equipment Provision Service	15	£50,515
Multi Compartment Compliance Aids	variable - currently 78	£191,174
Public Holiday Opening (Christmas Day and New Years Day)	Maximum 7 across Lothian	£18,248
Opioid Substitution Treatment Supervision	158	£2,058,096
Covid antivirals	10	£67,088
Winter vaccination	14	£24,000
Medicine Administration Records (MAR) chart	84	n/a
Buvidal Injections	4	£7,800
Total		£4,034,562

I hope the information provided helps with your request.

If you are unhappy with our response to your request, you do have the right to request us to review it. Your request should be made within 40 working days of receipt of this letter, and we will reply within 20 working days of receipt. If our decision is unchanged following a review and you remain dissatisfied with this, you then have the right to make a formal complaint to the Scottish Information Commissioner within 6 months of receipt of our review response. You can do this by using the Scottish Information Commissioner's Office online appeals service at www.itspublicknowledge.info/Appeal. If you remain dissatisfied with the Commissioner's response you then have the option to appeal to the Court of Session on a point of law.

If you require a review of our decision to be carried out, please write to the FOI Reviewer at the email address at the head of this letter. The review will be undertaken by a Reviewer who was not involved in the original decision-making process.



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Yours sincerely

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