

Community Pharmacy IT Group: Shared Care Record (ShCR) developments (Nov 2022)

A CP ITG records event was held with pharmacy reps and orgs and NHS England's Transformation Directorate (NHSE TD) during 2021. The actions are outlined here with further updates.

A. Frameworks and sign-ups

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A1. NHS TD and others responsible for producing ShCR security guidance should emphasise the duty to share information and standardise the framework for ShCR use.	Caldicott principle 7 continues to reinforce that the duty to share is as important as the duty to protect. The <i>NHSE TD information governance ShCR framework</i> sets out the basis and reasonings for ShCR usage for those providing direct care. Professional Record Standards Body approved of a pharmacy ShCR dataset which may be used.
A2. CP ITG/national bodies to explore the creation of a pharmacy whitelisting mailing group/process.	At present CP ITG can provide an informal route via use of a whitelisting mailing list of relevant parties. Further information: Whitelisting .
A3. NHS TD/PSNC to look at the opportunities to streamline the whitelisting process so that any ShCR project team can get their ShCR whitelisted for pharmacies easily e.g. template proformas.	NHSE TD and PSNC are in discussion and this may relate to additional parts of NHS England including NHS Digital live services work with suppliers and IT supplier frameworks. Further exploratory work is to be conducted.
A4. Supporting documents and revised guidance	New templates and guidance is available including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ShCR checklist for pharmacy • A ShCR usage guide for pharmacy contractors Requests for changes to these documents can be made by contacting it@psnc.org.uk .
A6. NHS Digital/ NHS TD/PSNC to explore whether the SCR access framework can align to the ShCR model	SCR consent model differs from ShCR model. NHS TD ShCR IG framework and records event sensibly outlines direct care means explicit consent is not a necessary part of using record for direct care. NHS Digital/ NHSE TD/PSNC are in discussion on this matter.

B. Future standardisation

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B1. NHS to consider the creation of common import/export technical standards for ShCRs and	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Common technical import/export standards may be considered once ShCR further mature. PRSB's CIS and any related IT may assist with this.

system suppliers. CP ITG to share further feedback to NHS TD to support its future work.	
B2. CP ITG to explore with NHS TD / NHS bodies whether a centralised ShCR list can be maintained.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FutureNHS began to provide a list of ShCRs. NHS England are planning to create a new ShCR webpage – which is anticipated to include information about the varying ShCR projects. • PSNC also have a list at psnc.org.uk/ehrlist based on LPC and pharmacy feedback into PSNC.

C. LPCs ShCR work

Actions -	Updates, developments and next steps
C1. LPC chief officers will populate a PSNC/CP ITG spreadsheet regarding the ShCR within their areas, and consider addition of ShCR information to LPC websites and engagement with ShCR projects.	Update re pharmacy sector perspective: LPCs have helped to populate the spreadsheet, and many are continuing to engage with the local ShCR teams and local ICSSs. LPCs can seek PSNC support by contacting it@psnc.org.uk .

About the Community Pharmacy IT Group (CP ITG): The Group was formed in 2017 by [PSNC](#), [NPA](#), [RPS](#), [CCA](#) and [AIMp](#). The main meetings are attended by members representing the five organisations and representatives from [pharmacy system suppliers](#), [NHSBSA](#), [NHS Digital](#), [NHS England pharmacy team](#), and [NHS England's Transformation Directorate \(NHS TD\)](#). Further information on the group can be found on the [PSNC website](#).

About Local Pharmaceutical Committees (LPCs): The local organisation for community pharmacy is the LPC. The LPC is the focus for all NHS community pharmacists and community pharmacy owners and is an independent and representative group. The LPC works locally with NHS England Area Teams, Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs), Local Authorities and other healthcare professionals to help plan healthcare services. There are around 70 LPCs throughout England. LPCs have been supporting the Shared Care Record pharmacy agenda within their areas. The LPC list is at: [LPC Online](#).