

Dear Community Pharmacy team,

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The TARGET Pharmacy Patient Information Leaflets: Resources to support the 2022/23 and 2023/24 Pharmacy Quality Schemes

We are writing to you with supporting tools to implement the antimicrobial stewardship criteria for the 2022/23 and 2023/24 Pharmacy Quality Schemes (PQS). This includes reviewing practice over a 4-week period with the two TARGET leaflets, for a minimum of 15 patients.

The TARGET pharmacy patient information leaflets enclosed (see 1 & 2 below) cover urinary tract infections and respiratory tract infections. Co-designed with healthcare professionals and patients, the evidence-based leaflets facilitate the shared decision-making process by supporting conversations with patients about their infection. The leaflets include important self-care and safety-netting advice. The Community Pharmacy Flow-Chart enclosed (see 3 below), summarises when to use TARGET antimicrobial stewardship resources at different points in the patient pathway.

The copies enclosed are laminated and can be used as an aide for community pharmacy teams during and after the PQS. These resources are also available to download on the [TARGET antibiotics toolkit](#)¹ website in the [Resources for the community pharmacy setting](#)² section. The website also includes other antimicrobial stewardship tools, such as the [TARGET Antibiotic Checklist](#)³ and the TARGET Treating Your Infections information leaflets.

TREATING YOUR INFECTION - URINARY TRACT INFECTION (UTI)
 For community pharmacy

This leaflet provides information on symptoms, diagnosis, and treatment for UTI. It includes sections for 'What you should know', 'What you should do', and 'When to get help'. It also features a 'Checklist' for patients to track their progress.

TREATING YOUR INFECTION - RESPIRATORY TRACT INFECTION (RTI)
 For community pharmacy

This leaflet provides information on symptoms, diagnosis, and treatment for RTI. It includes sections for 'What you should know', 'What you should do', and 'When to get help'. It also features a 'Checklist' for patients to track their progress.

COMMUNITY PHARMACY FLOWCHART
 A guide to when to use which TARGET resource for the management of Respiratory tract infection (RTI) and Urinary tract infection (UTI) in patients presenting in community pharmacy.

The flowchart outlines the decision-making process for patients with RTI or UTI, starting from 'Pharmacy consultation' and leading to 'Self-care' or 'Referral' based on specific criteria.

1. [Urinary Tract Infection \(UTI\) Community Pharmacy Leaflet](#)

2. [Respiratory Tract Infection \(RTI\) Community Pharmacy Leaflet](#)

3. [Community Pharmacy flowchart](#)

If you have questions on any of the above, please email TARGETantibiotics@ukhsa.gov.uk

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¹ <https://elearning.rcgp.org.uk/course/view.php?id=553>
² <https://elearning.rcgp.org.uk/mod/book/view.php?id=13511>
³ <https://elearning.rcgp.org.uk/mod/book/view.php?id=13511&chapterid=784>