## The NHS Prescription Charge from 1 April 2023 is

£9.65

## per item

NHS prescription charges are a <u>tax</u> collected for the Government in England. The money <u>does not</u> <u>help</u> to fund this pharmacy and is not related to the cost of your medicine(s)\*.

Pharmacies are funded by the NHS and Government to provide NHS services and, while costs rise, in real terms funding is being cut every year. This is not sustainable.

\*Some items may have more than one charge, e.g. elastic hosiery; a member of the pharmacy team will explain if that is the case.

If you need multiple prescription items or are prescribed certain HRT medicines, one of the two available Prescription Prepayment Certificates (PPCs) could save you money. Find out more at: <a href="https://www.nhsbsa.nhs.uk/ppc">www.nhsbsa.nhs.uk/ppc</a>

Certain patient groups are entitled to free NHS prescriptions and certain items (e.g. contraceptives) are free-of-charge on the NHS. To check if you're eligible for free NHS prescriptions, visit: www.nhsbsa.nhs.uk/healthcosts

There is no NHS prescription tax in the devolved nations of Scotland, Wales or Northern Ireland.