## Template news story to be included in a GP practice newsletter

## **Think Pharmacy First**

Most pharmacies in England are now providing the NHS Pharmacy First service which allows pharmacists to provide advice and where appropriate, supply NHS medicines for the following conditions:

- Earache (aged 1 to 17 years)
- Impetigo (aged 1 year and over)
- Infected insect bites (aged 1 year and over)
- Shingles (aged 18 years and over)
- Sinusitis (aged 12 years and over)
- Sore throats (aged 5 years and over)
- Urinary tract infections (UTIs) in women (aged 16 to 64 years)

If you have symptoms that suggest you may have one of these conditions, you can walk into a pharmacy and be offered a consultation with a pharmacist in a private consultation room. Our staff may also refer you to the service if you contact us but they believe it is appropriate for you to be seen by a pharmacist.

If you have symptoms that suggest you have one of the above conditions, why not give the Pharmacy First service a try?

For more information, visit <a href="https://nhs.uk/thinkpharmacyfirst">nhs.uk/thinkpharmacyfirst</a>