

## Legislation and Regulatory Affairs Minutes

**Date:** 17 April 2024

**Time:** 3:00 pm

**Location:** CPE Office, Hosier Lane, London

**Members present:** Ian Cubbin (Chair), Marc Donovan, Lindsey Fairbrother, Stephen Thomas.

**In attendance:** Anil Sharma, Sami Hanna, Prakash Patel, Gary Warner, Jas Heer, David Broome, Faisal Tuddy, Phil Day, Adrian Price, Peter Cattee, Ian Strachan Gordon Hockey (Director, Legal), Katrina Worthington (Regulations Officer), Janet Morrison (CEO), Mike Dent (Director of Pharmacy Funding), Jack Cresswell (Funding Strategy Manager), Rob Thomas (Funding Delivery Manager), Michael Digby (Margins Lead), David Onuoha (Service Development Manager), Alastair Buxton (Director of NHS Services). Amish Patel (Chair, Community Pharmacy Kent), Mark Anyaegbuna (Chief Executive Officer, Community Pharmacy Kent), Ashley Littlewood-Miller (Chair, Community Pharmacy Hampshire and Isle of Wight), Arthur Pysz (Joint Chief Officer, Community Pharmacy Hampshire and Isle of Wight).

**Apologies:** Ifti Khan.

**Conflicts of interest:** No additional conflicts declared.

**Minutes of the last meeting:** The minutes of the meeting held in January 2024 were approved by the subcommittee with one amendment to paragraph 9, Item 7, removing the second 'also'.

**Regulatory Team Workplan 2024/25:** The work plan was approved by the subcommittee. It was noted that the numbering of the items related to the Community Pharmacy England Strategy Paper for the year.

**Matters arising:** There were no matters arising.

**Item 6:** ----

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### Item 8: Provider Assurance

14. The Director, Legal advised that Community Pharmacy England has been provided with a Pharmacy First proposal, from NHS England, with the areas of focus and noted that this is the first out of two proposals and the second will detail how the activity will be carried out.
15. He also highlighted the issues raised with the NMS activity, which we have had a satisfactory response to, and the pandemic Medicines Delivery Service (MDS) activity, which is more problematic
16. The Chair highlighted feedback suggesting that the PPV work for Pharmacy First should not be too onerous but that it is broadly reasonable.
17. The subcommittee considered all three areas of activity and affirmed the action already taken for NMS and MDS but noted that the MDS issue needs to be resolved.
18. For the MDS issue, it was noted that anyone who had been contacted beyond the two years, even those who had agreed to recovery, should have this activity stopped. David Onuoha explained that we have sought data and clarity on this issue.

**ACTION: Community Pharmacy England to continue to engage with NHS England on the Pharmacy First proposal and to resolve the issues around MDS.**

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## Reports

### Item 10: Performance (enforcement) by ICBs

24. The Director, Legal explained that we need to understand more about ICBs can do and if we push too hard we may get enforcement on things that are not wanted.

25. The subcommittee noted the report.

### Item 11: RPS Greener Pharmacies Scheme

26. The subcommittee noted the report.

### Item 12: Hub and Spoke Dispensing

27. The subcommittee noted the report.

28. The Director, Legal explained that we are in the process of finalising the members for the working group.

### Item 13: No Signature for Prescription Tokens

29. The subcommittee noted the report.

### Item 14: GPhC Consultation on Standards for Chief Pharmacists

30. The subcommittee noted the report.

## AOB

31. There was none.