

2025/26 Annual Report Summary

A timeline of key moments in 2025/26

2025

April

MPs briefed on landmark pharmacy funding settlement at our Parliamentary event.



May

Charity backs lung health role for community pharmacy through our joint action plan.

June

Medicines supply issues 'distressing new normal', CPE Pressures Survey confirms.

Simpler way of changing core hours, secured in 2025/26 CPCF settlement, comes into effect.

November

New representatives join CPE Committee to improve representation.

LPC Conference considers the future before *A Prescription for Success* launch.

December

Polling reveals abuse of pharmacy teams, prompting our call for stronger protections.

2026



July

10 Year Plan for Health is published, broadly reflecting what we spent months advocating for.

Regional Roadshow Season where pharmacy owners' views inform future direction of CPCF.

January

We push Ministers for a recovery roadmap ahead of critical negotiations.

February

Negotiations begin on 2026/27 CPCF, which later secure a 10% funding uplift.

August

Our Funding Report highlights 45% of pharmacy owners are dipping into personal savings.

Tackling EPS nomination practices and service direction that contravene patient choice.

September

CPE appoints a new Chair, the former Deputy Chief Medical Officer for England.



March

Price concessions top 200 as we secure improved prices and argue for fair reimbursement.

October

Strategic service expansions of NMS, contraception and childhood flu vaccination begin.



Our Value and Impact



Funding

- Added £1 billion+ to core funding through CPCF negotiations
- Secured c. £300 million of margin write-offs
- In 2025/26, put £153 million back in pharmacy owners' pockets via price concession applications



Development

- Secured multiple service opportunities: emergency contraception, independent prescribing, and childhood flu and Meningitis B vaccinations
- Influenced and spearheaded policy conversations on the 10 Year Health Plan
- Tackled inappropriate EPS nomination practices and service direction to protect pharmacies and patient choice



Recognition

- Achieved recognition and quantification of funding challenges via the independent economic review we called for and shaped
- All key party general election manifestos mentioned community pharmacy
- Quantified the value of investing in pharmacies with our detailed economic analysis work
- Clear Government commitment to reform and sustainability in 2026/27 CPCF



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