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Dear Pharmacy Colleagues,

**FOR ACTION: Emergency Hormonal Contraception (EHC) Public Health Enhanced Scheme (PHES) 2024-2026**

We are writing to inform you about the EHC PHES commissioned by Public Health in Stockport Council for 2024-26.

You are currently signed up to the scheme and the purpose of this letter is to ask if you would like to continue to offer this service.

While there have been minor updates to the specification, there are no significant operational changes affecting the provision of EHC services or the associated payment structure. Instead, the changes represent a refresh of the current specification aimed at ensuring clarity and alignment with current good practices in EHC provision.

We recognise the vital role that community pharmacies play in providing accessible and confidential contraceptive services to individuals in need of emergency contraception. As such, we are committed to maintaining a supportive framework that enables pharmacies to continue delivering high-quality EHC services.

This letter comprises of a high level summary of provision, remuneration and how to make a claim and details of how to sign up. Also attached are:  
- the service specification

- the standard SMBC contract

The new arrangement will run from 1st April 2024 – 31st March 2026 with the option to extend for up to a further 3 years.

**1. Summary of provision**

* To offer information and advice to women attending for emergency hormonal contraception and, if deemed to be appropriate, to issue and supply medication in line with their licensed indications.
* To offer a Brook chlamydia self-sampling kit to young people (16 to 24 year-olds) attending for emergency hormonal contraception where appropriate, and also provide safer sex advice to anyone accessing the service
* To offer and provide pregnancy testing to women attending for emergency hormonal contraception (based on clinical need).

**2. Remuneration and how to make a claim**

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| **Emergency Hormonal Contraception** | | |
|  | **Element of services** | **Fee** |
| A1 | Consultation | £10 per completed consultation |
| A2 | Drug costs | Current drug tariff plus VAT @ 5%  P’ versions of Ulipristal and Levonorgestrel |
| A3 | Pregnancy test | £5 per test |
| A4 | Supply of a Brook chlamydia self-  sampling kit | £4 per kit |

This is an activity-based contract and as per previous years, invoices are automatically submitted via PharmOutcomes, for all activity listed in the table above.

Payment will be made quarterly in arrears within 30 days of a correct invoice being received by Public Health via the PharmOutcomes system.

**3. How to sign up**

If you would like to sign up to the EHC PHES please complete the form in the link attached: [Public Health Enhanced Service Pharmacies 2024/26](https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=nvZeoElhuk-kDN8ziBD2RDL5liDkE4RMiTHnLWB7JX9UMlFVODU5RU04RVRYUU5DR041NFlONkVBRi4u)

Prior to signing up please ensure you can meet the requirements contained in the attached documents:  
- The EHC service specification

- The standard SMBC contract

Please do not hesitate to contact us for any further information at publichealth.finance@stockport.gov.uk

May I also take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,



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