Community Pharmacy Greater Manchester

Deadline Tracker – December 2026

If you are part of a pharmacy group or multiple, please liaise with your area managers/head office.

Do Now

	Deadline	Action and links	Tick
Christmas and New Years Rota	**Dec 2026**	Christmas and New Years Opening Hours have now been published ▪ View the published rota here	
Winter Checklist	**Dec 2026**	To help our contractors and pharmacy teams get organised in the run up to the festive period, we've collated some key reminders to keep things running smoothly and ensure great patient care ▪ View the Winter Checklist here	
Directory of Services (DoS)	**31st Dec 2026**	If you haven't already done so, update your NHS website profile and DoS profile by the 31st December 2026 using NHS Profile Manager ▪ **This is a mandatory requirement for all pharmacy owners**	

Contract & Funding

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Pharmacy Quality Scheme (PQS)	**31st Dec 2026**	Deadline for completing and submitting the PEoLC questionnaire ▪ Since this is a **requirement of the gateway criterion, if this deadline is missed, pharmacy owners will not be able to make a PQS declaration**	
Pharmacy First	**Dec 2026**	Updated Pharmacy First caps come into force for December 2026 ▪ **Action:** check NHSBSA website to see what your cap is for this month	
Nomination Issues	**Ongoing**	We are receiving an increasing number of complaints regarding nominations being changed without patient consent ▪ View the briefing, patient leaflet, guidance and letters here	

Operational

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Fidaxomicin: urgent ordering and emergency delivery information	**Ongoing**	NHS Greater Manchester has issued a reminder that **Fidaxomicin prescriptions must be ordered urgently** to avoid delays in starting treatment for *C. difficile* infection ▪ Read the letter here ▪ View the poster here	
Patient-Led Ordering Feedback	**Ongoing**	We're requesting your feedback and comments will help us resolve issues and inform future support ▪ Click to complete the short form	
GM Care Record	**Ongoing (Webinar 8th Dec 7.30-9pm)**	Improve the quality and safety of care provided to patients by accessing their full medical record through the GM Care Record via PharmOutcomes ▪ Find out more here ▪ Book your place for the webinar here	

Services

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Flu and COVID-19 Services	**30th Nov 2026**	▪ **Flu (Childhood and Adult):** Overall deadline for pharmacy owners to register to provide COVID-19 and/or flu vaccinations (Childhood/Adult) on MYS. If pharmacy owners do not register by this date, they will not be able to deliver the services in 2026/27 ▪ **Flu (Adult):** NHS England anticipate that most flu vaccinations should be completed by the end November 2026 to provide the best possible protection going into winter ▪ Find out more here	
Flu (Childhood)	**1st Dec 2026**	Vaccination of primary school and secondary school children not in a clinical at risk group who missed the opportunity to be vaccinated in school can start under the 2026/27 Childhood Flu Vaccination Service ▪ Find out more here	
MenB Vaccination Service	**31st Dec 2026**	Deadline to administer first doses of the 4CMenB vaccine to allow sufficient amount of time for the second dose to be administered before the end date of the service (31st March 2027) ▪ **Pharmacy owners will not be paid if the first dose is administered after 31st December 2026**	

Training & Events

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Independent Prescribing Webinar Series	**30th Nov 2026 (7.30-9pm)**	This series of webinars is designed to help you prepare to deliver prescribing services, ensuring your pharmacy and prescribers are enabled to deliver clinically safe services ▪ Register for the next webinar here ▪ Watch the webinars on demand here	
VirtualOutcomes	**Ongoing**	All pharmacies in Greater Manchester have **FREE** access to online training or the whole pharmacy team ▪ View the new 'EPS Nominations & Patient Choice' module here	

Patient Safety

	Deadline	Action and links	Tick
CPGM Patient Safety Newsletter	**Ongoing**	The latest edition of our 'Focus on Patient Safety' series is now available ▪ View the briefing here	

Need Help and Support

	Deadline	Action and links	Tick
Ask the CPGM Team	**Every Wed 1-2pm**	Something on your mind? Join our lunchtime drop-in sessions with one of our experienced team members. We are here to support you. ▪ Find out more here	
CPGM Connect Pharmacy Visits	**Every month**	Would you like us to come and visit your pharmacy? The CPGM office team are out and about 2 days a month connecting with our Community Pharmacies. ▪ Book a visit here	

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