

**NHS Shropshire, Telford & Wrekin
Medicines Management Team**

Structured Medication Review Resources

December 2023

Polypharmacy

Polypharmacy: Manage Medicines **The 7-Steps medication review**

[For healthcare professionals \(scot.nhs.uk\)](https://scot.nhs.uk)

Case Finding Indicators to **prioritise patients for review**

[Appendix E: Case Finding Indicators to prioritise patients for review \(scot.nhs.uk\)](https://scot.nhs.uk)

Polypharmacy Guidance, Realistic Prescribing.

Scottish Government Polypharmacy Model of Care Group. 3rd Edition. 2018

[Polypharmacy – Effective Prescribing and Therapeutics \(scot.nhs.uk\)](https://scot.nhs.uk)

Deprescribing

Medstopper tool (US) [MedStopper](https://www.medstopper.org/)

[Deprescribing Guidelines and Algorithms - Deprescribing.org](https://www.deprescribing.org/)

[Appropriate deprescribing in older people | British Geriatrics Society \(bgs.org.uk\)](https://www.bgs.org.uk/)

Polypharmacy in older people A guide for healthcare professionals - March 2023

<https://awttc.nhs.wales/files/guidelines-and-pils/polypharmacy-in-older-people-a-guide-for-healthcare-professionalspdf/>

Polypharmacy: Guidance for Prescribing

Supplementary Guidance – BNF Sections to Target

<https://www.valeofyorkccg.nhs.uk/seecmsfile/?id=2463&inline=1&inline=1>

Documenting outcomes from medication review

October 2023

[index \(prescripp.info\)](https://www.prescripp.info/)

[Clinical documentation for pharmacists | RPS \(rpharms.com\)](https://www.rpspharm.com/)

STOPP START Toolkit https://www.cgakit.com/files/ugd/2a1cfa_bcf4d63c427e4e18963c64e74663728e.pdf

[STOPP/START criteria for potentially inappropriate prescribing in older people: version 3 | European Geriatric Medicine \(springer.com\)](https://www.springer.com/)

STOPPFrail

[STOPPFrail \(Screening Tool of Older Persons Prescriptions in Frail adults with limited life expectancy\): consensus validation | Age and Ageing | Oxford Academic \(oup.com\)](https://www.oup.com/)

The 2019 American Geriatrics Society Updated **Beers Criteria®**

[The Updated Beers Criteria \(geriatricacademy.com\)](https://www.geriatricacademy.com/)

[Medications that Older Adults Should Avoid or use with Caution | HealthInAging.org](https://www.healthinaging.org/)

[Guidance – SPS - Specialist Pharmacy Service – The first stop for professional medicines advice](https://www.sps.nhs.uk/)

Specialities

[Specialities | CKS | NICE](https://www.cksc.org.uk/)

Prescribing in the elderly

[Prescribing in the elderly | Medicines guidance | BNF | NICE](https://www.nice.org.uk/)

PrescQIPP – Login details required.

IMPACT - Improving Medicines and Polypharmacy Appropriateness Clinical Tool

Polypharmacy and deprescribing webkit resources

[Good for you, good for us, good for everybody: a plan to reduce overprescribing to make patient care better and safer, support the NHS, and reduce carbon emissions \(publishing.service.gov.uk\)](https://www.publishing.service.gov.uk/)

Focusing on clinical pharmacy and therapeutics [Clinical factsheets : CPPE](https://www.cppe.org.uk/)

Polypharmacy

Structured medication reviews and medicines optimisation
[NHS England » Structured medication reviews and medicines optimisation](#)

Network Contract Directed Enhanced Service
Structured medication reviews and medicines optimisation: guidance - 31 March 2021
[Report template - NHSI website \(england.nhs.uk\)](#)

Network Contract Directed Enhanced Service - Contract specification 2023/24
PCN Requirements and Entitlements - 27 April 2023
[NHS England » Network Contract DES – contract specification for 2023/24 – PCN requirements and entitlements](#)

Royal Pharmaceutical Society. A Competency Framework for all Prescribers. Last updated September 2022.
[Prescribing Competency Framework | RPS \(rpharms.com\)](#)

The General Medical Council
[Good practice in prescribing and managing medicines and devices - ethical guidance summary - GMC \(gmc-uk.org\)](#)

Medicines optimisation – polypharmacy
[Medicines optimisation - polypharmacy | NHSBSA](#)

Renal Resources

Think Kidneys Resources for Primary Care:
[Primary Care - Acute Kidney Injury \(thinkkidneys.nhs.uk\)](#)

Prescribing medicines in renal impairment: using the appropriate estimate of renal function to avoid the risk of adverse drug reactions - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)

Creatinine Clearance (Cockcroft-Gault Equation)
[Creatinine Clearance \(Cockcroft-Gault Equation\) - MDCalc](#)

Prescribing in renal impairment
[Prescribing in renal impairment | Medicines guidance | BNF | NICE](#)

Chronic kidney disease
Last revised in March 2023
[Chronic kidney disease | Health topics A to Z | CKS | NICE](#)

Diagnosis -chronic kidney disease
[Chronic kidney disease - Diagnosis - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](#)

Frailty

Clinical Frailty Scale
[rockwood_cfs.pdf \(bgs.org.uk\)](#)

Electronic Frailty Index
[NHS England » Electronic Frailty Index](#)

[NHS England » Frailty resources](#)

Website

GP Evidence

The content is not exhaustive and assumes a standard level of GP professional knowledge. The information here is intended to support clinical judgement and shared decision making alongside clinical guidelines and standard practice.

Useful resources

Monitoring

Suggestions for Drug Monitoring in Adults in Primary Care

October 2017

[Drug-Monitoring-in-Adults-in-Primary-Care-Oct-2017.pdf \(hee.nhs.uk\)](#)

Medicines Monitoring – SPS - Specialist Pharmacy Service – The first stop for professional medicines advice

DMARDs: Scenario: Monitoring of DMARDs

Last revised in December 2021

[Monitoring of DMARDs | Management | DMARDs | CKS | NICE](#)

Methotrexate monitoring - Published 5 July 2021

[Methotrexate monitoring – SPS - Specialist Pharmacy Service – The first stop for professional medicines advice](#)

Bipolar disorder: Antipsychotics - Last revised in October 2022

[Antipsychotics | Prescribing information | Bipolar disorder | CKS | NICE](#)

Psychosis and schizophrenia: What monitoring is required?

Last revised in September 2021

[Monitoring | Prescribing information | Psychosis and schizophrenia | CKS | NICE](#)

Safety

Prescribing Safety Indicators

[Prescribing-safety-indicators-for-Spotlight-project.pdf \(rcgp.org.uk\)](#)

Medication Safety - Indicators Specification - August 2019

[Medication Safety -Indicators Specification \(nhsbsa.nhs.uk\)](#)

Good Practice Guidance: Medication Expiry Dates - For use in Care Homes

<https://abuhb.nhs.wales/files/governance-pharmacy-resource-bank-for-nursing-homes/medication-expiry-information-for-care-homes-pdf/>

Refrigerated medicines stability tool – SPS - Specialist Pharmacy Service – The first stop for professional medicines advice

Prescriptions should not be routinely issued for conditions or products consulted on by NHS England:

Items which should not routinely be prescribed in primary care: policy guidance

August 2023

[NHS England » Items which should not routinely be prescribed in primary care: policy guidance Bulletin 117: DROP-List | PrescQIPP C.I.C](#)

Conditions which should not routinely be prescribed in primary care

[NHS England » Guidance on conditions for which over the counter items should not routinely be prescribed in primary care](#)

[over-the-counter-quick-reference-guide.pdf \(england.nhs.uk\)](#)

Vegan

[Excipients: What are the general considerations for vegan patients? – SPS - Specialist Pharmacy Service – The first stop for professional medicines advice](#)

[Practical considerations for vegan-friendly medicines | The Vegan Society](#)

[Choosing a calcium and vitamin D preparation for vegetarians or vegans – SPS - Specialist Pharmacy Service – The first stop for professional medicines advice](#)

Useful resources

Medicines

Managing Medication Guidance: to assist healthcare professional to assess **patients experiencing medication compliance problems** - Version 7 Sept 2012
[managing-medication-guidance.pdf \(rpharms.com\)](#)

Medicines in Compliance Aids Stability Tool

Find stability recommendations for tablets and capsules

[Medicines in Compliance Aids Stability Tool – SPS - Specialist Pharmacy Service – The first stop for professional medicines advice](#)

[Refrigerated medicines stability tool – SPS - Specialist Pharmacy Service – The first stop for professional medicines advice](#)

Advising on missed or delayed doses of medicines

Published 15 October 2021 · Last updated 26 November 2021

[Advising on missed or delayed doses of medicines – SPS - Specialist Pharmacy Service – The first stop for professional medicines advice](#)

Formulations

Prescribing Specials

Guidance for the prescribers of Specials - April 2016

[professional-standards---prescribing-specials.pdf \(rpharms.com\)](#)

Switching between liquid and tablet/capsule formulations-which-medicines-require extra care?

[Switching between liquid and tablet/capsule formulations – Which medicines require extra care? – SPS - Specialist Pharmacy Service – The first stop for professional medicines advice](#)

[Administration of medication to patients with enteral feeding tubes or swallowing difficulties](#)

[NEWT Guidelines](#)

Requires Login details. Ask NHS STW ICB Medicines Management

Medicines suitable for adults with swallowing difficulties

Published 25 June 2021

[Medicines suitable for adults with swallowing difficulties – SPS - Specialist Pharmacy Service – The first stop for professional medicines advice](#)

Prescribing by generic or brand name in primary care

Published 27 March 2022 · Last updated 13 September 2022

[Prescribing by generic or brand name in primary care – SPS - Specialist Pharmacy Service – The first stop for professional medicines advice](#)

[Example medicines to prescribe by brand name in primary care – SPS - Specialist Pharmacy Service – The first stop for professional medicines advice](#)

Useful resources

adverse drug reactions (ADR)

Adverse drug reactions

Last revised in March 2022

[Adverse drug reactions | Health topics A to Z | CKS | NICE](#)

Cumulative toxicity tool and adverse drug reactions (ADR)

[Cumulative toxicity tool and adverse drug reactions \(ADR\) \(scot.nhs.uk\)](#)

Guidance on adverse drug reactions

[Guidance on adverse drug reactions.pdf \(publishing.service.gov.uk\)](#)

Pregnancy

[bumps - best use of medicine in pregnancy \(medicinesinpregnancy.org\)](#)

Anticholinergic Burden

[ACB Calculator](#)

[Anticholinergics \(scot.nhs.uk\)](#)

[Anticholinergic-Burden-Scale.pdf \(ucla.edu\)](#)

[index \(prescgipp.info\)](#)

Sick Day Rules

EFFECTIVE PRESCRIBING AND THERAPEUTICS

[Sick Day Rules – Effective Prescribing and Therapeutics \(scot.nhs.uk\)](#)

Medicines and Dehydration

Updated Briefing for Professionals on the Medicine Sick Day Rules card

[20180424-web-medicine-sick-day-rules-professionals-leaflet-web-v20.pdf \(ihub.scot\)](#)

Medicines and Dehydration

Patient Information

[20180424-web-medicine-sick-day-rules-patient-leaflet-web-v20.pdf \(ihub.scot\)](#)

Interaction

Choosing a suitable antidepressant for people with coronary heart disease (CHD)

Published 2 July 2021

[Choosing a suitable antidepressant for people with coronary heart disease \(CHD\) – SPS - Specialist Pharmacy Service – The first stop for professional medicines advice](#)

[What is the risk of gastrointestinal bleeding associated with selective serotonin reuptake inhibitors \(SSRIs\)? – SPS - Specialist Pharmacy Service – The first stop for professional medicines advice](#)

Do proton pump inhibitors reduce the clinical efficacy of clopidogrel?

[UKMI QA Clopidogrel-PPI July 2019.pdf \(sps.nhs.uk\)](#)

[Using warfarin with proton pump inhibitors \(PPIs\) – SPS - Specialist Pharmacy Service – The first stop for professional medicines advice](#)

[Using bisphosphonates with proton pump inhibitors \(PPIs\) – SPS - Specialist Pharmacy Service – The first stop for professional medicines advice](#)

Useful resources

Food and Drink

Dehydration

[Dehydration - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](https://www.nhs.uk)

Nutritional Assessment

[Nutritional Assessment \(bapen.org.uk\)](https://bapen.org.uk)

[Malnutrition Universal Screening Tool \(bapen.org.uk\)](https://bapen.org.uk)

[Managing Adult Malnutrition in the Community | Malnutrition Pathway](#)

A practical guide for the treatment of malnutrition with everyday food and drinks [20221222 Think Food Approach in Care Homes A practical guide for the treatment of malnutrition V3 July 2023.pdf \(shropshireandtelfordformulary.nhs.uk\)](#)

Oral Nutritional Supplement (ONS) Request and Monitoring Form

[20221222-Oral-Nutritional-Supplement-ONS-Request-and-Monitoring-Form-V2.docx \(live.com\)](#)

[ORAL NUTRITIONAL SUPPLEMENT \(ONS\) PRESCRIBING GUIDELINES](#)

[Prescribing Guidelines for Oral Nutritional Supplements \(ONS\) in Adults](#)

Vitamin D

Guidance for the Treatment of Vitamin D Deficiency and Insufficiency

[20220824 Guidance for the Treatment of Vitamin D Deficiency and Insufficiency.pdf \(shropshireandtelfordformulary.nhs.uk\)](#)

Eye

Management of Dry Eyes in Primary Care: Guidance for Clinicians

[20220826 NHS STW Dry eye Guidance Primary Care.pdf \(shropshireandtelfordformulary.nhs.uk\)](#)

[Guidance on In Use Shelf Life for Eye Drops and Ointments – SPS - Specialist Pharmacy Service – The first stop for professional medicines advice](#)

Topical

- [Emollients - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](#)
- [Emollients | Prescribing information | Eczema - atopic | CKS | NICE](#) - Last revised in April 2023
- [Emollients \(pcds.org.uk\)](https://pcds.org.uk)
- [Safe use of emollient skin creams to treat dry skin conditions - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#)
- [Emollients: new information about risk of severe and fatal burns with paraffin-containing and paraffin-free emollients - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#)
- [Emollients and risk of severe and fatal burns: new resources available - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#) Last updated 20 May 2021
- [Topical corticosteroids | Prescribing information | Eczema - atopic | CKS | NICE](#) Last revised in April 2023

Alcohol

How should I screen for problem drinking?

Last revised in November 2022

[How to screen | Diagnosis | Alcohol - problem drinking | CKS | NICE](#)

Overview -Alcohol misuse

[Alcohol misuse - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](#)

Useful resources

Fall

Falls and Fragility Fractures Pathway

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/rightcare/toolkits/falls-and-fragility-fractures-pathway/>

Measurement of lying and standing blood pressure - as part of a falls assessment

[Measurement of lying and standing blood pressure: A brief guide for clinical staff | RCP London](#)

Bulletin 300: Medication and falls

[Bulletin 300: Medication and falls | PrescQIPP C.I.C](#)

Medication and the Risk of Falls in Older People

<https://medicines.bedfordshirelutonandmiltonkeynes.icb.nhs.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/02/Falls-Poster-Final.pdf>

Guidance - Updated 25 February 2022

[Falls: applying All Our Health - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#)

QFracture - calculator to work out risk of developing any osteoporotic (i.e., hip, wrist, shoulder or spine) fracture or hip fracture

[QFracture](#)

FRAX ®Fracture Risk Assessment Tool

<https://frax.shef.ac.uk/FRAX/>

Wound

Wound Management Pathways

[Wound Care \(tissue viability specialist nursing\) \(shropscommunityhealth.nhs.uk\)](#)

Restricted / Specialist dressings – Authorisation Form

[Restricted-Specialist-Dressings-Authorisation-Form-V1-Dec-2020.pdf \(shropshiretelfordandwrekin.nhs.uk\)](#)

Useful resources

Palliative care & End of Life (including Just in Case)

Palliative Care Just in Case (JIC) Service guidance
[20230620 Just in Case Guidance V6 002.docx \(live.com\)](#)

**Palliative Care Patient Specific Direction
MORPHINE AS REQUIRED PRESCRIPTION**
[As Required Prescription Sheet \(shropshiretelfordandwrekin.nhs.uk\)](#)

Palliative Care Patient Specific Direction
MORPHINE 24 HOUR SYRINGE PUMP (McKinley T34)
[As Required Prescription Sheet \(shropshiretelfordandwrekin.nhs.uk\)](#)

For **Symptom Control Sheets for End of Life** and **Just In Case (JIC) Medication Pack**
Please visit Clinical Guidelines and Resources (CGR) - End of Life (including JIC) on
[Clinical Guidelines and Resources \(CGR\) - NHS Shropshire, Telford and Wrekin \(shropshiretelfordandwrekin.nhs.uk\)](#)

Swallowing difficulties

- [Swallowing difficulties – SPS - Specialist Pharmacy Service – The first stop for professional medicines advice](#)
- [Using thickeners of different types for patients with swallowing difficulties – SPS - Specialist Pharmacy Service – The first stop for professional medicines advice](#)
- [Thickening liquid medicines – SPS - Specialist Pharmacy Service – The first stop for professional medicines advice](#)
- [Nutilis Clear prescribing guide \(nutricia.co.uk\)](#)
- [Medicines suitable for adults with swallowing difficulties – SPS - Specialist Pharmacy Service – The first stop for professional medicines advice](#)
- [Choosing formulations of medicines for adults with swallowing difficulties – SPS - Specialist Pharmacy Service – The first stop for professional medicines advice](#)
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Recommended Summary Plan for Emergency Care and Treatment

ReSPECT
[ReSPECT for healthcare professionals | Resuscitation Council UK](#)

Feeding tube

Administering medicines via enteral feeding tubes
[Medications \(bapen.org.uk\)](#)

[How enteral feeding tubes affect medicines – SPS - Specialist Pharmacy Service – The first stop for professional medicines advice](#)
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Care Homes

Care Homes

Managing medicines in care homes

Social care guideline [SC1] Published: 14 March 2014

[Overview](#) | [Managing medicines in care homes](#) | [Guidance](#) | [NICE](#)

Medicines management in care homes

Quality standard [QS85] Published: 25 March 2015

[Introduction](#) | [Medicines management in care homes](#) | [Quality standards](#) | [NICE](#)

Multimorbidity: clinical assessment and management

NICE guideline [NG56] Published: 21 September 2016

[Overview](#) | [Multimorbidity: clinical assessment and management](#) | [Guidance](#) | [NICE](#)

Managing medicines for adults receiving social care in the community

NICE guideline [NG67] Published: 30 March 2017

[Overview](#) | [Managing medicines for adults receiving social care in the community](#) | [Guidance](#) | [NICE](#)

Bulletin 293: Medicines administration in care homes

[Bulletin 293: Medicines administration in care homes](#) | [PrescQIPP C.I.C](#)

Medicines administration in care homes briefing sheet -Refused or missed doses
[index \(prescqipp.info\)](#)

Giving medicines covertly

[Giving medicines covertly](#) | [Quick guides to social care topics](#) | [Social care](#) | [NICE](#)
[Communities](#) | [About](#) | [NICE](#)

Good Practice Guidance: Medication Expiry Dates - For use in Care Homes

<https://abuhb.nhs.wales/files/governance-pharmacy-resource-bank-for-nursing-homes/medication-expiry-information-for-care-homes-pdf/>

Care Homes

Authorisation and Administration Instructions for the Alteration of a Medicine Formulation in a Care Setting

[Alteration-of-a-Medicine-Formulation-in-a-Care-Setting.pdf](#)
(shropshiretelfordandwrekin.nhs.uk)

Disposing of medicines

[Disposing of medicines - Care Quality Commission \(cqc.org.uk\)](#)

Reducing Medicines Waste

[Reducing-Waste-Medicines-Good-Practice-Guidance-V9.pdf](#)
(shropshiretelfordandwrekin.nhs.uk)

Guidance – Non-prescribed Medicines in Community Settings

A guide to support care home and home care settings with purchased medicines and related products

[Self-Care Medicines Homes \(shropshiretelfordandwrekin.nhs.uk\)](#)

Other

Statement on Seven Day Prescriptions associated with the use of Compliance Aids.
[SCCCG statement on seven day scripts \(shropshiretelfordandwrekin.nhs.uk\)](#)

[B179. Care homes - Refused and missed doses \(prescqipp.info\)](#)

Other

Aspirin use for Heart Emergencies in a Care Home

[Aspirin use for Heart Emergencies in Care Settings May 2023 - 2.pdf](#)
(shropshireandtelfordformulary.nhs.uk)

Gastro-intestinal system

Gastro-intestinal system

Bristol Stool Chart

[bristol-stool-chart-pdf-245459773 \(nice.org.uk\)](https://www.nice.org.uk/bristol-stool-chart-pdf-245459773)

Constipation: Management

Last revised in January 2023

[Management | Constipation | CKS | NICE](#)

Diarrhoea - adult's assessment: Management

Last revised in May 2021

[Management | Diarrhoea - adult's assessment | CKS | NICE](#)

Stoma care

[Stoma care | Treatment summaries | BNF | NICE](#)

Stoma Prescribing Guidelines and Formulary

[20220906 Stoma Prescribing Guidelines and Formulary.pdf \(shropshireandtelfordformulary.nhs.uk\)](#)

Deprescribing

[ppi-deprescribing-algorithm_2018_En.pdf](#)

Genito-urinary system

Bladder and urinary disorders

LUTS in men: Scenario: Overactive bladder

Last revised in March 2019

[Scenario: Overactive bladder | Management | LUTS in men | CKS | NICE](#)

LUTS in men: How should I assess a man with lower urinary tract symptoms?

Last revised in March 2019

[Assessment | Diagnosis | LUTS in men | CKS | NICE](#)

Incontinence - urinary, in women: Scenario: Management of a woman with predominantly urgency incontinence

Last revised in October 2019

[Scenario: Managing urgency incontinence | Management | Incontinence - urinary, in women | CKS | NICE](#)

Incontinence - urinary, in women: Management

Last revised in October 2019

[Management | Incontinence - urinary, in women | CKS | NICE](#)

Treatment of overactive bladder symptoms and urgency urinary incontinence in women in Primary Care

[Treatment of OAB symptoms and urgency urinary incontinence in women in Primary Care guidance September 2023.pdf \(shropshireandtelfordformulary.nhs.uk\)](#)

Cardiovascular System

CVD risk assessment and management: Scenario: Assessing cardiovascular risk

Last revised in February 2023

[Scenario: CVD risk assessment | Management | CVD risk assessment and management | CKS | NICE](#)

QRISK®3 risk calculator

[QRISK3](#)

CHA₂DS₂-VASc Score for Atrial Fibrillation Stroke Risk

[CHA₂DS₂-VASc Score for Atrial Fibrillation Stroke Risk - MDCalc](#)

Angina

Last revised in October 2022

[Angina | Health topics A to Z | CKS | NICE](#)

Cardiovascular disease: risk assessment and reduction, including lipid modification

In development [GID-NG10178] Expected publication date: 17 May 2023

[Project information | Cardiovascular disease: risk assessment and reduction, including lipid modification | Guidance | NICE](#)

Lipid modification - CVD prevention: Scenario: Lipid therapy - primary prevention of CVD

Last revised in January 2023

[Scenario: Lipid therapy - primary prevention of CVD | Management | Lipid modification - CVD prevention | CKS | NICE](#)

Summary of National Guidance for Lipid Management for Primary and Secondary Prevention of CVD

[lipid-management-pathway-v6.pdf \(england.nhs.uk\)](#)

Lipid Management for Primary and Secondary Prevention of CVD (Summary of Guidance) V4.0

[20230505 V5.0 STW Lipid Management for Primary and Secondary Prevention of.pdf \(shropshireandtelfordformulary.nhs.uk\)](#)

[ProcessfortheuseofinclisiranLeqvioinPrimaryCare.pdf \(shropshireandtelfordformulary.nhs.uk\)](#)

Statin Intolerance Pathway

[statin-intolerance-pathway-v2.pdf \(england.nhs.uk\)](#)

Anticoagulation - oral : Management

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[Management | Anticoagulation - oral | CKS | NICE](#)

Oral anticoagulants

[Oral anticoagulants | Treatment summaries | BNFC | NICE](#)

HAS-BLED Score for Major Bleeding Risk

[HAS-BLED Score for Major Bleeding Risk - MDCalc](#)

ORBIT Bleeding Risk Score for Atrial Fibrillation

Predicts bleeding risk in patients on anticoagulation for afib, similar to HAS-BLED.

[ORBIT Bleeding Risk Score for Atrial Fibrillation - MDCalc](#)

Indications for anticoagulant and antiplatelet combined therapy

[Combining anticoagulants and antiplatelets | The BMJ](#)

Advice

Antiplatelet treatment:

Scenario: Antiplatelet treatment for secondary prevention of cardiovascular disease (CVD)

With information on: How can I help prevent dyspepsia?

Last revised in November 2022

[Scenario: Antiplatelets for the prevention of CVD | Management | Antiplatelet treatment | CKS | NICE](#)

Cardiovascular System

Heart failure

Heart failure - chronic: Prescribing information

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[Prescribing information | Heart failure - chronic | CKS | NICE](#)

Prescribing information for dapagliflozin (Forxiga) for treating chronic heart failure with reduced ejection fraction

Rationale for Initiation, Continuation and Discontinuation RiCaD

[20230222 Dapagliflozin RiCaD.pdf \(shropshireandtelfordformulary.nhs.uk\)](#)

[20230615 SGLT2i Inhibitors revised version 2.0 amended.pdf \(shropshireandtelfordformulary.nhs.uk\)](#)

Prescribing information for sacubitril valsartan (Entresto®▼) for symptomatic chronic heart failure with reduced ejection fraction

[Entresto RiCaD](#)

SGLT2 inhibitors in Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus (T2DM), Heart Failure with Reduced Ejection Fraction (HFrEF) and Chronic Kidney Disease (CKD)

[20230615 SGLT2i Inhibitors revised version 2.0 amended.pdf \(shropshireandtelfordformulary.nhs.uk\)](#)

Persistent hyperkalaemia and stages 3b to 5 chronic kidney disease or heart failure

Prescribing information for patiomer (Veltassa®▼) for the treatment of chronic hyperkalaemia in adults

[Prescribing-Information-for-Patiomer-for-Treatment-of-Chronic-Hyperkalaemia-in-Adults.pdf \(shropshireandtelfordformulary.nhs.uk\)](#)

Hypertension

Hypertension in adults: diagnosis and treatment

[NG136 Visual summary \(nice.org.uk\)](#)

Hypertension: Scenario: Management

Last revised in March 2023

[Scenario: Management | Management | Hypertension | CKS | NICE](#)

Observations

National Early Warning Score (NEWS)

[NHS England » National Early Warning Score \(NEWS\)](#)

NEWS2 score for assessing the patient at risk of deterioration

[NEWS2 score for assessing the patient at risk of deterioration \(rcgp.org.uk\)](#)

Respiratory system

ASTHMA

Asthma: Management
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Asthma, chronic
[Asthma, chronic](#) | [Treatment summaries](#) | [BNF](#) | [NICE](#)

[NHS STW Asthma Guideline](#)

[NHS STW Asthma in Adults ICS Step-Down guidance & Algorithms](#)

INHALER

Using your inhalers
[Using your inhalers](#) | [Asthma + Lung UK](#)

Inhaler prescribing information
[RightBreathe](#)

Hay Fever/Seasonal Rhinitis

[Information sheet - Mild to moderate hay fever/seasonal rhinitis](#)

Corticosteroid

Corticosteroids - oral
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COPD

Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease
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Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease
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Medications for COPD
[Medications for COPD](#) | [Asthma + Lung UK](#) (asthmaandlung.org.uk)

COPD Assessment Test (CAT)
[COPD Assessment Test \(CAT\)](#) - MDCalc

Protocol for weaning COPD patients on Inhaled Corticosteroids (Either as single or combination inhaler) to a Dual Bronchodilator Treatment
[WEANING ICS FINAL VERSION](#) (shropshireandtelfordformulary.nhs.uk)

Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD) - Treatment Guidelines
[NHS STW COPD Treatment Guidelines](#)

Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD) Rescue Pack Guidance for Shropshire, Telford and Wrekin
[COPD-rescue-pack-guidance-v2-Feb-2022.pdf](#) (shropshiretelfordandwrekin.nhs.uk)

Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD) - Rescue Pack Information Leaflet
[COPD-rescue-pack-patient-information-leaflet-v2-Feb-2022.pdf](#) (shropshiretelfordandwrekin.nhs.uk)

Green Inhaler Guide
[Green Inhaler Guide](#)

Dyspnoea

The mMRC (Modified Medical Research Council) **Dyspnoea Scale** is used to assess the degree of baseline functional disability due to dyspnoea:
[MRC Dyspnoea Scale](#) | [Primary Care Respiratory Society](#) (pcrs-uk.org)

Infection

Prescribing guidance

ANTIBIOTIC GUIDANCE FOR SHROPSHIRE & POWYS PRIMARY CARE

Community Antibiotic Policy February 2020, Issue 7.1

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Chest infection

How should I assess an adult with a suspected chest infection?

Last revised in June 2021

[Assessment](#) | [Diagnosis](#) | [Chest infections - adult](#) | [CKS](#) | [NICE](#)

CURB-65 Score for Pneumonia Severity

[CURB-65 Score for Pneumonia Severity - MDCalc](#)

Pneumonia (community-acquired): antimicrobial prescribing

NICE guideline [NG138]Published: 16 September 2019

[Recommendations](#) | [Pneumonia \(community-acquired\): antimicrobial prescribing | Guidance](#) | [NICE](#)

UTI

Urinary tract infection (lower) - women: How should I assess a person with suspected UTI?

Last revised in March 2023

[Assessment](#) | [Diagnosis](#) | [Urinary tract infection \(lower\) - women](#) | [CKS](#) | [NICE](#)

Nervous System

Pain

All Wales **Analgesic Stewardship Guidance** - November 2022

<https://awttc.nhs.wales/files/guidelines-and-pils/all-wales-analgesic-stewardship-guidancepdf/>

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Neuropathic Pain Treatment Guidelines including **DN4 – QUESTIONNAIRE**

<neuropathic-pain-treatment.pdf> (scot.nhs.uk)

NSAIDs - prescribing issues

[Scenario: NSAIDs prescribing issues](#) | [Management](#) | [NSAIDs - prescribing issues](#) | [CKS](#) | [NICE](#)

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[Bulletin 256: Dependence forming medications](#) | [PrescQIPP C.I.C](#)

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Opioid use and reduction in Primary Care for Non-Cancer Pain

[20211004-STW-CCG-Opioid-use-and-reduction-in-Primary-Care-for-Non-Cancer-Pain-V2.pdf](#) (shropshiretelfordandwrekin.nhs.uk)

Gabapentinoid Prescribing in Chronic Pain

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Parkinson's disease in adults - NICE guideline [NG71] - Published: 19 July 2017

[Overview](#) | [Parkinson's disease in adults](#) | [Guidance](#) | [NICE](#)

Medications To Be Avoided Or Used With Caution in Parkinson's Disease

[APDA19360-Medications-to-Avoid-Supplement-D2V1-002.pdf](#) (apdaparkinson.org)

Time sensitive medicines

[Time sensitive medicines - Care Quality Commission](#) (cqc.org.uk)

[Get It On Time | Parkinson's UK](#) (parkinsons.org.uk)

Dementia

[medicines optimisation briefing-dementia-online.pdf](#) (cppe.ac.uk)

How can you encourage medicines optimisation to improve the lives of people living with dementia?

[Welcome to CPPE learning communities](#)

Nervous System

Switching

Depression: Switching antidepressants

Last revised in September 2022

[Switching antidepressants](#) | [Prescribing information](#) | [Depression](#) | [CKS](#) | [NICE](#)

Antidepressant switching

Other medicines switches

[Switching – SPS - Specialist Pharmacy Service – The first stop for professional medicines advice](#)

Switching safely between SSRIs or to other antidepressants

[SSRIs to other antidepressants: switching in adults – SPS - Specialist Pharmacy Service – The first stop for professional medicines advice](#)

Estimating dose equivalence from oral morphine to other opioids

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Dose equivalents and changing opioids

[Dose equivalents and changing opioids](#) | [Faculty of Pain Medicine \(fpm.ac.uk\)](#)

Epilepsy

[Epilepsy](#) | [Treatment summaries](#) | [BNF](#) | [NICE](#)

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[Stopping \(deprescribing\) benzodiazepines and z-drugs](#) (scot.nhs.uk)

Benzodiazepine and Z-Drug

Antipsychotic

Cholinesterase inhibitors and memantine

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Diabetes - type 2: Management

Last revised in April 2023

[Management | Diabetes - type 2 | CKS | NICE](#)

Type 2 diabetes in adults: management

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[Recommendations | Type 2 diabetes in adults: management | Guidance | NICE](#)

[NG28 Visual summary on choosing medicines for type 2 diabetes in adults \(nice.org.uk\)](#)

Type 2 diabetes

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A Guide for Improvement - 2022-2025

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Type 2 Diabetes – managing diabetes and cardiovascular risk

April 2021

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Insulin Pens

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Insulin Pen Needles

[Insulin Pen Needles \(diabetes.co.uk\)](#)

Insulin comparison and identification guide

[Insulin Comparison and Identification Guide \(panmerseyapc.nhs.uk\)](#)

The Alphabet Strategy

Diabetes Care ABCDEFG Plan

[Diabetes-Alphabet-Strategy-Symbols.pdf](#)

Diabetes Care: The Alphabet Strategy Approach

[nice-diabetes-referral-june-17.pdf \(england.nhs.uk\)](#)

End of life care for people with diabetes

END OF LIFE GUIDANCE FOR DIABETES CARE

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Sodium-Glucose Co-transporter-2 (SGLT-2) Inhibition

SGLT-2 Inhibition in Adults with Kidney Disease

[SGLT-2 Inhibition in Adults with Kidney Disease | The UK Kidney Association](#)

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Antihyperglycemics Deprescribing Algorithm

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[AHG-deprescribing-algorithms-2017-UpdateCC.indd](#)

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