

PPG

(Patient Participation Group)

Why Pharmacy First?



In the past Pharmacies just sorted out prescriptions but it is a very different matter today. They can now offer all sorts of useful services. And for minor issues it saves a visit to your GP unless it's really necessary. They can prescribe for children too.

Conditions Your Pharmacist Covers:

Acute otitis media (Infection of the middle ear) Age: 1 - 17 years	Impetigo Age: 1 year & over	Infected insect bites Age: 1 year & over	Shingles Age: 18 years and over

Sinusitis Age: 12 years and over	Sore throat Age: 5 years & over	Urinary tract infections Age: 16-64 years Women only

Pharmacy First - Five Facts

- You can walk in without booking an appointment
- No need for a referral if you are registered with a GP
- Pharmacists can prescribe alternative medicines if the original prescribed item faces a shortage or supply issue.
- If you run out of your regular prescription medication, you can request an emergency supply through your pharmacy.
- Your GP will receive an electronic update on your consultation

Find your nearest Pharmacy - www.nhs.uk/service-search/pharmacy/find-a-pharmacy

Information about the service - www.nhs.uk/nhs-services/pharmacies/

There's an astonishing amount of useful information available!