



Nottingham City Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment 2018

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The local Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA) is a document that outlines services and ensures both that pharmaceutical services across Nottingham City meet the needs of the population and that they are in the correct locations to support the residents of Nottingham. This version replaces the previous PNA published by Nottingham City Health and Wellbeing Board in 2015.

Pharmaceutical services are provided by community pharmacies, dispensing GP practices and dispensing appliance contractors. The Nottingham City has 68 community pharmacies, including two distance selling pharmacies and three dispensing appliance contractors. There are no dispensing GP practices. In addition to their traditional role of providing prescription medicines, community pharmacies are important providers of further health services to their communities. Examples include services that improve patients' adherence and outcomes from their prescribed medicines; provision of advice on prevention and self-care.

For the purposes of the PNA, pharmaceutical services include:

- Essential services which every community pharmacy providing NHS pharmaceutical services must provide and is set out in their terms of service, such as dispensing prescription medicines.
- Advanced services – services community pharmacy contractors and dispensing appliance contractors can provide subject to accreditation as necessary – these include Medicines Use Reviews for community pharmacists and Stoma Customisation Service for dispensing appliance contractors
- Locally commissioned services (known as Enhanced Services) commissioned by NHS England or local authority Public Health services.

This report includes an overview of the pharmacy regulations with regard to pharmacy needs assessment in addition to a review of the range of pharmaceutical services that are currently provided or may be commissioned in the future. The geographical area of the city has been divided into Care Delivery Group areas (CDGs) for the purpose of reviewing health needs and service provision at local level. These are co-terminus with Local Area Committees (LACs).

A comprehensive range of sources has been used to describe the health and social conditions of the CDG populations. This document provides details of:

- Population demographics: age, deprivation and health needs
- Number and location of community pharmacies and DACs and the services commissioned
- Analysis of any gaps in necessary services
- Analysis of any gaps in locally commissioned services or access to services
- Impact of population changes and house building
- A description of any NHS service (or similar) which may affect pharmaceutical need
- Formal consultation on final draft PNA

Statement of pharmaceutical need

The current balance of community pharmacies and dispensing appliance contractors provide a comprehensive range of services to their local populations. Analysis of health needs and a formal consultation did not provide any evidence of a lack of provision of pharmaceutical services in existing pharmacies. Housing projections in the short to medium term (3-5 years) are not expected to increase the local population to a level that would affect the ability of current providers to meet the pharmaceutical need.

The PNA will be reviewed in 2021 or before if there is a substantial change in need or supply, for example if planned housing developments result in greater than expected population numbers, or there are several community pharmacy closures.