

About the service

The service involves community pharmacists initiating oral contraception as well as providing ongoing management and supply of oral contraception that was initiated in general practice, a sexual health clinic or a pharmacy. The supplies will be made under the authority of a Patient Group Direction (PGD), with appropriate checks, such as the measurement of the person's blood pressure and body mass index (BMI), being undertaken, where necessary.

How to refer patients for the service?

Identify

- Patients who contact the practice to book an appointment to be initiated on oral contraception or to order a repeat supply can be referred into Community Pharmacy
- Practice must obtain verbal consent from the patient to identify which local pharmacy they would like to be referred to

Refer



- All Referrals must be sent **electronically** through the 'LOCAL SERVICES' button and selecting the 'Create referral' button on the 'Referral to Pharmacy for Contraception service' box.

Action

- Pharmacist contacts patient
- Consultation takes place
- If the person provides consent to share the outcome of the consultation with their general practice, the consultation outcome will be shared
- If patient needs to be seen – Pharmacy will contact the GP



Referral to Pharmacy for Contraception service

Create referral

Tasks (0)

Choose Pharmacy after verbal consent from patient

Referral sent electronically to pharmacy

Who to refer?

Patients requesting to be initiated on Oral Contraception as well patients who are requesting a repeat supply of their Oral Contraception can be referred for this service.

Patient consent & Patient choice

Prior to referral, verbal consent must be obtained by asking the patient which pharmacy they would like the referral to be sent to. This is implied consent which allows for patient choice under GDPR.

Who can I contact if I have any questions?

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