

Community Pharmacy NHS Smoking Cessation Service Support for Targeted Lung Health Check Services - Pilot

Community Pharmacy Webinar

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Community Pharmacy NHS Smoking Cessation Service (SCS)



- Aligned with the prevention ambitions of the NHS Long term plan
- Ottawa Model for Smoking Cessation
- Pilots clearly demonstrated that community pharmacy is an acceptable destination for referrals
- Support for NHS Acute and Mental Health Trust inpatients who wish to continue a quit attempt post discharge

Service received a 'soft' launch in March 2022

Community Pharmacy NHS Smoking Cessation Service (SCS)

- > 4000 community pharmacists registered to deliver SCS
- > 50 NHS Trusts live with the pathway
- > 600 referrals into community pharmacy
- > 50% quit rate for individuals who engage with the service
- Approached by OHID to support the TLHC service



Considered a natural extension of SCS

Targeted Lung Health Checks (TLHC)



Lung Cancer – The Current Picture

- 3rd most common cancer in the UK
- The most frequent cause of cancer death
- 24% cases are diagnosed via A&E
emergency presentations
- During the pandemic, 2500 fewer people
started treatment for lung cancer



1 year survival is >4.5 times higher when diagnosed at an earlier stage

SURVIVAL BY STAGE OF DIAGNOSIS



CANCER
RESEARCH
UK

DIAGNOSED **EARLIER**
AT STAGE I

DIAGNOSED **LATER**
AT STAGE IV

88%



19%

- **We have a problem with late stage diagnosis**
 - 71% lung cancers are diagnosed at stages III and IV
 - Around 50% are diagnosed at the latest stage IV



Cervical



Bowel



Breast



Lung

A new (targeted) screening programme....

What are TLHCs?

Who is it for? Targeted to....

- Current smokers and ex-smokers
- Aged between 55 and 74

Patients are highlighted as eligible based on their GP record



What are TLHCs?

- **What happens?** Patients are invited for a telephone triage call, then a lung health check & a LDCT (if high risk), to be recalled for rescanning 2 years later
- **Where?** TLHCs will be taken into communities, PCN by PCN, with a mobile CT scanner, to remain in the area for 8-12 weeks
- **Unique features?** Holistic approach – patients given brief smoking cessation advice

Results so far

	Crawley	B&H	Total
Patients Invited	7147	19807	26954
Telephone Triage Appt	6762	18047	24809
High Risk	1785	4235	6020
Face to Face Lung Health Checks	1689	3649	5338
LDCT Scans	1466	3469	4935
Confirmed Lung Cancers	Crawley	B&H	Total
Stage 1	3	10	13
Stage 2	3	1	4
Stage 3	2	1	3
Stage 4	0	3	3
Not yet staged	1	0	1
Total	9	15	24

Pilot - Support for TLHC Services

- Aligned with prevention services (including other Pharmacy Integration Pilots)
- Very similar model to SCS



Pilot - Support for TLHC Services


- Registration portal is now open
- Service specification

<https://www.nhsbsa.nhs.uk/pharmacies-gp-practices-and-appliance-contractors/dispensing-contractors-information/nhs-smoking-cessation-service-pilot-support-targeted-lung-health-check-tlhc-screening>

- Additional payment for taking part in the pilot
- Consultations can be completed by any member of the pharmacy team (as long as they have completed the necessary training and are qualified NCSCT smoking cessation practitioners)
- Referrals will be made by NHS mail
- Pharmacy teams required to contact the patient and agree an appointment
- Consultations need to be recorded on the web-based consultation tool


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Web-based Consultation Tool

Smoking Cessation Referrals - Targeted Lung Health Check Service 

Please complete this form to register any consultations recorded under this new pilot service.
Please have the patients unique Patient Medication Record (PMR) ID available to input.
(if you are unable to create a unique PMR ID then please create an alternate identifier that does not compromise the individuals identity and use this throughout the quit attempt)

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Date of consultation *

Please input date (dd/MM/yyyy) 

- Once the details of the consultation are submitted a copy of the responses can be printed / saved as a pdf
- Automatically generate invoices based on the service specification and the activity submitted

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Reporting

- Majority of reports will be generated by the NHSE team
- Please report any significant milestones direct to the TLHC service (email provided)
 - Whether a patient has engaged or not
 - 28 day (post agreed quit date) outcome
 - Final outcome
- GP should also be notified of any significant outcomes

Pilot - Support for TLHC Services

This is a great opportunity to showcase the skills of the community pharmacy team and how we can support the wider healthcare network

Any questions?