

WG24-42

**THE NATIONAL HEALTH
SERVICE (WALES) ACT 2006**

The Pharmaceutical Services
(Clinical Services) (Wales)
(Amendment) Directions 2024

Made 27 September 2024

Coming into force 1 October 2024

The Welsh Ministers, in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 12(3), 81(1), 82 and 203(9) and (10) of the National Health Service (Wales) Act 2006⁽¹⁾, give the following Directions.

Title, commencement and application

1.—(1) The title of these Directions is the Pharmaceutical Services (Clinical Services) (Wales) (Amendment) Directions 2024.

(2) These Directions come into force on 1 October 2024.

(3) These Directions are given to Local Health Boards.

**Amendment of The Pharmaceutical Services
(Clinical Services) (Wales) Directions 2022**

2.—(1) The Pharmaceutical Services (Clinical Services) (Wales) Directions 2022⁽²⁾ are amended as follows.

(2) In direction 2—

- (a) in the appropriate place insert ““Patient Group Direction” has the meaning given by regulation 213(1) of the Human Medicines Regulations 2012;”;
- (b) for the definition of “pharmacy technician” substitute—

(1) 2006 c. 42.
(2) WG22-06.

““pharmacy technician” means a person registered in Part 2 of the Register of pharmacists and pharmacy technicians established and maintained under article 19(1) and (2) of the Pharmacy Order 2010(1).”

(3) In direction 3(2), for the footnote substitute—

“The approved forms for the clinical services can be accessed at: <http://www.wales.nhs.uk/ourservices/directory/LocalHealthBoards> and <https://nwssp.nhs.wales/ourservices/primary-care-services/our-services/pharmacy-services/all-wales-pharmacy-database/>”.

(4) In direction 6—

(a) in paragraph (2)(b)—

(i) after “registered pharmacist” insert “or pharmacy technician”;

(ii) omit the footnote;

(b) omit paragraph (2)(c);

(c) in paragraph (2)(d), after “the underlying purpose of which is” insert “for the registered pharmacist”.

(5) After direction 6 insert new direction—

“The Seasonal Influenza Vaccination Service

6A.—(1) Each Local Health Board must make arrangements for the provision of the Seasonal Influenza Vaccination Service, for persons within and outside its area, with NHS pharmacists included in its pharmaceutical list and who—

(a) are providing the Clinical Community Pharmacy Service under an arrangement with a Local Health Board in accordance with direction 6,

(b) wish to enter into an arrangement to provide the Seasonal Influenza Vaccination Service and notify the Local Health Board of their intention to do so in accordance with direction 3(2),

(c) satisfy the conditions set out in direction 3, paragraphs (3) to (7) inclusive, and

(d) agree to provide the Seasonal Influenza Vaccination Service in

(1) S.I. 2010/231, amended by S.I. 2019/593.

accordance with the relevant specification⁽¹⁾.

(2) The underlying purpose of the Seasonal Influenza Vaccination Service is for the registered pharmacist or pharmacy technician to administer an influenza vaccination to a patient under a Patient Group Direction, or administer an influenza vaccination to a patient under a protocol authorised by the Welsh Ministers in accordance with regulation 247A of the Human Medicines Regulations (Protocols relating to coronavirus and influenza vaccinations and immunisations).”

(6) In direction 8(1)(c), for the footnote substitute—

“Additional services are available from the local health board <http://www.wales.nhs.uk/ourservices/directory/LocalHealthBoards>”.

(7) In direction 9(a), after “the Clinical Community Pharmacy Service” insert “, the Seasonal Influenza Vaccination Service”.



Signed by Andrew Evans, Chief Pharmaceutical Officer, under the authority of the Cabinet Secretary for Health and Social Care, one of the Welsh Ministers

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(1) <https://nwssp.nhs.wales/ourservices/primary-care-services/our-services/pharmacy-services/all-wales-pharmacy-database/>