

Here are some resources we recommend in response to enquiries about MURs, one of the advanced services in the pharmacy contract. This list is not exhaustive and if your query is not addressed here please contact us (details overleaf).

Web-based resources

- PSNC <http://www.psn.org.uk/index.php?type=page&pid=107&k=2>
This is the PSNC's guide to advanced services under the pharmacy contract. Scroll down to 'general resources' for information and statistics.

PSNC *10 steps to success with Medicines Use Reviews* (2005)
http://www.psn.org.uk/uploaded_txt/10%20steps%20to%20success%20with%20MURs.pdf

- Medicines Partnership http://www.npc.co.uk/med_partnership/medication-review/welcome.html Includes information about MURs for patients as well as pharmacists. Details ongoing research in this area and a glossary.
- Centre for Postgraduate Pharmacy Education <http://www.cppe.manchester.ac.uk/>
The CPPE web-based MUR assessment is linked under community pharmacy. The library has CPPE resource packs for technicians on MURs available to borrow.
- Department of Health http://www.psn.org.uk/uploaded_txt/Advanced_service_competency_framework.pdf *Competency framework for pharmacists carrying out MURs.*
- Chemist and Druggist's 'Skills for the Future' MUR accreditation programme <http://www.dotpharmacy.com/skills.html> Now on its 2nd programme accredited by the Medway School of Pharmacy. Older modules available from the library in CD-ROM/print form. Example case studies are given.
- Pharmaceutical Journal <http://www.pjonline.com/noticeboard/series/contract.html>
Series of articles about the pharmacy contract that have appeared in the Pharmaceutical Journal including 'How to offer an MUR' (*Pharmaceutical Journal* 2004:272:602, Oct 23) and the article 'Ready, steady, pause and take stock! Time to reflect on medicines use review', (2006:276:414, (Apr 8).

Books

- *Solutions* (2005) Guide to advanced services from Unichem/PSNC.
- *New directions: the complete NPA guide to the new pharmacy contract* (2005)
- *Navigating the new world: Vantage guide to the new pharmacy contract* (2005)
- *The new pharmacy contract: advanced services - medicines use review (MUR)*. Mawdsleys 2 page pamphlet. (2006).

All of the titles above can be borrowed from the Society Library.

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Articles

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For links to *Pharmaceutical Journal* articles please see above.

- *Pharmacy magazine* 2006:12(7):16-18 (July).

'Special Report: Medicines use review, climbing the learning curve'.

A feature on how pharmacists have used their experiences to develop their medicines use reviews.

- *Pharmacy magazine* 2006:12(7): 15 and 18 (July)

'Medicines use review in England and Wales'.

Reviews how medicines use reviews have developed since their inception in April 2005.

- *Independent Community Pharmacist* 2006:July:27-29

'Medicines use review: psoriasis'.

Continuing professional development article discusses the medicines use review of psoriasis patients

- *Pharmacy In Practice* 2006:16(5):143-146 (Jul/Aug)

'How best to carry out medicines use reviews'

Outlines the aims of an MUR and discusses the advantages and disadvantages of MURs.

- *Chemist and Druggist* 2006:265:20 (Jun 3)

'MURs made easy'

Tips on conducting medicines use reviews.

- *Pharmacy In Practice* 2006:16:28-31 (Jan/Feb)

'New pharmacy contract: will medicines use reviews improve patients' use and knowledge of drugs?'

Article on medicines use reviews (MUR) and prescription intervention services in relation to the new community pharmacy contractual framework

- *Chemist and Druggist* 2005: 264:17-18 (Aug 6)

'Contract checklist: Success with MURs'

Includes MUR forms and guidance about MURs in practice.

- *Pharmacy Magazine* 2005:XI(5):CPDI-VIII (May) and 2005:XI(6):CPD I-VIII (June)

'Medicines use review: part 1 and part 2'.

Part 1 examines what should be included in a review and how to prepare to provide the service whilst part 2 explores how the necessary accreditation to provide the service can be achieved

- *Community pharmacy* March 2005 pp. 14-16

'Brave new world. Clinical review: medicines use review'

Thorough overview of MURs including table of common interventions.

These abstracts are taken from the Information Centre's RPS e-PIC Database. For more information or to arrange for different searches to be undertaken please call 020 7572 2300.

Further resources

To see a list of all of the library's resources on MURs type in 'MUR' into the keyword/free text option of the library catalogue <http://olib.rpsqb.org.uk/>.

Contact details

Contact the Library by telephone on 020 7572 2300 (answerphone outside office hours) or by e-mail library@rpsqb.org.

Suggestions?

If you have any suggestions for other factsheets you think we should produce, then let us know.