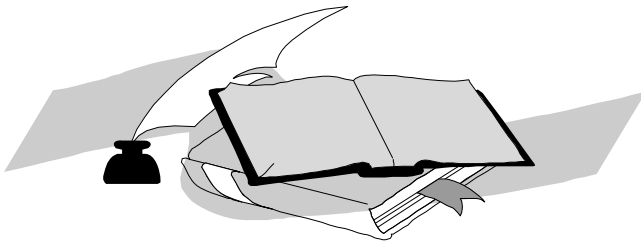




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## Local Pharmaceutical Services

The Pharmaceutical Services Negotiating Committee's Community Pharmacy Services Database has details on community pharmacy involvement in Local Pharmaceutical Services:-

<http://www.psn.org.uk>

The Department of Health also provides information on Local Pharmaceutical Services at <http://www.dh.gov.uk/PolicyAndGuidance/MedicinesPharmacyAndIndustry/LocalPharmaceuticalServices/fs/en>

The following is a list of references looking at the role of pharmacists' in Local Pharmaceutical Services:-

**LPS pilots to be permanent.** Pharmaceutical-Journal 2006:276:372 (Apr 1)  
Most pilot schemes for local pharmaceutical services contracts in England will become full LPS schemes by October 2006. The NHS Business Services Authority will become responsible for prescription pricing, counter-fraud and business-related NHS services on 1 April.  
<http://www.pjonline.com/Editorial/20060401/news/p372lpspilots.html>

**Financial details of new essential small pharmacy scheme confirmed.** Pharmaceutical-Journal 2005:275:713 (Dec 10)  
Details of the financial support available under the new essential small pharmacy local pharmaceutical services scheme (ESPLPS), due to be introduced next April, have been confirmed by the Department of Health. Those pharmacies that meet the criteria will be eligible for a monthly reimbursement of 4,078 pounds (sterling), the same level of funding which exists under the current essential small pharmacies scheme (ESPS) which is being abolished on 31 March.  
<http://www.pjonline.com/Editorial/20051210/news/p713smallpharmacy.html>

Reisser-D; Smith-J. **Control of entry and local pharmaceutical services.** Chemist-and-Druggist 2005:264:35 (Sep 24)  
Article looks at how the control of entry regulations relate to local pharmaceutical services contracts.

Elvey-R; Kendall-J; Bradley-F. **Processes and consequences in local pharmaceutical needs assessments: experiences of local pharmaceutical services pilots.** International-Journal-of-Pharmacy-Practice 2005:13(Pharmacy Practice Research Suppl, Sept):R11

Bradley-F; Kendall-J; Elvey-R. **Impact of enhanced service provision on community pharmacy: a longitudinal study of local pharmaceutical services pilots.** International-Journal-of-Pharmacy-Practice 2005:13(Pharmacy Practice Research Suppl, Sept):R8

Bradley-F; Kendall-J; Ashcroft-D. **Setting up local pharmaceutical services - lessons for pharmacy contractors.** Pharmaceutical-Journal 2005:274:548-551 (May 7)  
Established to enable the commissioning of pharmacy services, the local pharmaceutical services contract has presented primary care trusts and pharmacy contractors with many challenges. This is the second of two articles (see also p546) discussing the lessons that PCTs and contractors can learn from the experiences of commissioners and providers of LPS. This article focus on the key messages for pharmacy contractors. (Full text of article available on internet: [http://www.pjonline.com/pdf/articles/pj\\_20050507\\_lessons.pdf](http://www.pjonline.com/pdf/articles/pj_20050507_lessons.pdf))

Elvey-R; Ashcroft-D; Bradley-F. **Setting up local pharmaceutical services - lessons for primary care trusts.** Pharmaceutical-Journal 2005:274:546-548 (May 7)  
The local pharmaceutical services contract has presented primary care trusts and pharmacy contractors with many challenges. Based on findings from the national evaluation of the first-wave LPS pilot sites, these articles discuss key messages for those involved in commissioning community pharmacy services. The first article focus on the experience of Primary Care Trusts. See also p548. (Full text of article available on internet:  
[http://www.pjonline.com/pdf/articles/pj\\_20050507\\_lessons.pdf](http://www.pjonline.com/pdf/articles/pj_20050507_lessons.pdf))

Kendall-J; Sibbald-B; Ashcroft-D. **Role and uptake of local pharmaceutical services contracts in commissioning community pharmacy services.** Pharmaceutical-Journal 2005:274:454-457 (Apr 16)  
The aim of the study is to describe the early development and uptake of local pharmaceutical services (LPS) and to investigate the nature of the contracts developed by the first-wave pilots. LPS pilots are addressing a number of government priorities. Many LPS services will be mainstreamed in the new national contract, the development of which has slowed the growth of LPS. The use of LPS to enable the provision of innovative services has been demonstrated. In commissioning new community pharmacy services, the length of time taken to develop and implement services should be acknowledged. (Full text of article available on internet:  
[http://www.pjonline.com/pdf/papers/pj\\_20050416\\_services.pdf](http://www.pjonline.com/pdf/papers/pj_20050416_services.pdf))

Bradley-F; Kendall-J; Elvey-R. **Local Pharmaceutical Services medication review services: from paper to practice.** International-Journal-of-Pharmacy-Practice 2004:12:R94 (September Supplement)

**Third wave of 11 LPS pilots approved in England.** Pharmaceutical-Journal 2004:273:209 (Aug 14).  
Eleven third-wave local pharmaceutical services (LPS) pilots have been approved by the Department of Health for England. This brings the number of approved LPS schemes to 29. The first wave of four pilots was approved in 2002 (PJ, 24 August 2002, p237) and was followed by a second wave of 14 pilots (PJ, 15 February 2003, p213). Applications for a fourth wave of LPS schemes have to be made by 1 September. (Full text of news item available on internet:  
<http://www.pjonline.com/Editorial/20040814/news/p209lpspilots.html>).

**Further wave of LPS pilots gain approval.** Pharmaceutical-Journal 2004:272:111 (Jan 31)  
A further wave of local pharmaceutical services pilots has been approved by the Department of Health this month. The details were placed without fanfare on the Department's website. (Full text of news item available on internet:  
<http://www.pjonline.com/Editorial/20040131/news/furtherwave.html>)

**LPS guidance update.** Chemist-and-Druggist 2004:261:5 (Jan 31)  
The DoH has published updated guidance for local pharmaceutical services on its website ([www.doh.gov.uk/localpharmaceuticalservices](http://www.doh.gov.uk/localpharmaceuticalservices)). It gives background information on LPS and provides details of issues which will need to be addressed by those interested in participating in LPS pilots.

**LPS pilots provide repeats.** Pharmaceutical-Journal 2003:271:835 (Dec 20/27)  
Local Pharmaceutical Services pilots are to be allowed to provide repeat dispensing services if primary care trusts agree. Directions amending the relevant regulations came into force on 4 December. (Full text of news item available on internet:  
<http://www.pjonline.com/Editorial/20031220/news/lpspilots.html>)

Lammy-D, **PSNC conference.** Community-Pharmacy 2003:Jan:16-17  
Report of the annual Pharmaceutical Services Negotiating Committee conference. Topics discussed included NHS funding, local pharmaceutical services, pharmaceutical fraud.

Farhan-F, **LPS - a one-year progress report**. Pharmaceutical-Journal 2003:270:361-362 (Mar 15)

Bids for projects to be provided under local pharmaceutical services contracts were first invited by the Department of Health in March 2002. These pilot schemes are now just starting. A second wave was approved last month. This article provides a progress report, one year on. (Full text of news feature available on internet: [http://www.pharmj.com/Editorial/20030315/news/news\\_lps.html](http://www.pharmj.com/Editorial/20030315/news/news_lps.html))

**LPS update**. Pharmaceutical-Journal 2003:270:676 (May 17)

Revised guidance on applications for local pharmaceutical services contracts have been issued by the Department of Health (<http://www.doh.gov.uk/>). (Full text of news item available on internet: <http://www.pharmj.com/Editorial/20030517/news/lps.html>)

Axon-S. **Legislation and LPS**. Independent-Community-Pharmacist 2003:14-15 (Feb)  
Article concerning the regulations governing local pharmaceutical services.

**Second wave of LPS pilots start**. Pharmaceutical-Journal 2003:270:465 (Apr 5)

New local pharmaceutical services (LPS) pilots have started in London and Manchester. Green Light Pharmacy, in Camden, north London, is providing 300 patients from the Bangladeshi community with pharmaceutical services around coronary heart disease and diabetes. The Olde Pharmacy, in Wandsworth, south London, is providing services under a unique arrangement which allows it to operate an LPS pilot and retain its existing national pharmacy contract. Medication review and patient monitoring services are to be provided primarily to elderly patients referred by local general practitioners and registered at the pharmacy. Both these LPS pilots were approved in the second wave of applications. (Fulltext of news item available on internet: <http://www.pharmj.com/Editorial/20030405/news/lpspilots.html>)

**Health Department to revise LPS application papers**. Pharmaceutical-Journal 2003:270:325 (Mar 8)

The Department of Health is revising its local pharmaceutical services (LPS) guidance notes and proposal forms for the next wave of pilots, which have to be submitted by 1 September. The revised documents, expected in mid-March, take into account deficiencies that became apparent in the first and second wave of bids. (Fulltext of news item available on internet: <http://www.pharmj.com/Editorial/20030308/news/reviselps.html>)

**NPA model contract for LPS pilots**. Pharmaceutical-Journal 2003:270:255 (Feb 22)

The National Pharmaceutical Association has produced a generic model contract for local pharmaceutical services pilots. The contract will only require a solicitor to "top and tail" it with locally agreed requirements. Guidance notes are also available. (Fulltext of news item available on internet: <http://www.pharmj.com/Editorial/20030222/news/lpspilots.html>)

**Second wave of 14 LPS pilots approved**. Pharmaceutical-Journal 2003:270:213 (Feb 15)

The Department of Health has approved a second wave of 14 local pharmaceutical services pilots in England. Half of them are full proposals, the rest were preliminary. The 14 primary care trusts and the locations of the pilots are provided. A third wave of LPS pilots is being sought. The closing date for applications is 1 September 2003. (Fulltext of news item available on internet: <http://www.pharmj.com/Editorial/20030215/news/lpspilots.html>)

**LPS contract concerns raised**. Chemist-and-Druggist 2002:258:6 (Nov 23)

The PSNC has raised concerns over the way that PCTs are handling local pharmaceutical services applications which should assess impact on existing pharmaceutical services.

**Chief pharmacist says LPS should become a priority for profession.** Pharmaceutical-Journal 2002:269:555 (Oct 19)

Pharmacists should consider submitting proposals for local pharmaceutical services pilots as a priority. This was the advice of Dr Jim Smith, chief pharmacist for England, speaking at the annual conference of the National Association of Co-operative Executive Pharmacists held in Edinburgh. (Fulltext of news item available on internet: <http://www.pharmj.com/Editorial/20021019/news/lps.html>)

**More LPS legislation.** Chemist-and-Druggist 2002:258:5 (24 Aug)

A new Statutory Instrument (SI 2002/2016) on local pharmaceutical services (dealing with applications, cessation of LPS and right to return to the pharmaceutical list) has been published.

**LPS regulations brought in.** Pharmaceutical-Journal 2002:268:896 (June 29)

Regulations governing the introduction of local pharmaceutical services by health authorities came into force on 5 June. Ministerial directions were issued a week later requiring health authorities to delegate most of their responsibilities for LPS to primary care trusts. As a result, PCTs are now legally required to set up development processes for LPS pilot schemes, including appropriate local consultation and submission of proposals to the Secretary of State for approval. Neighbourhoods, premises and descriptions of premises may now be designated as places where LPS proposals are being developed or where development is under consideration. (Fulltext of news item available on internet: <http://www.pharmj.com/Editorial/20020629/news/lps.html> )

Alexander-A. **MEDM conference: designing successful LPS pilots.** Pharmaceutical-Journal 2002:268:878-80 (June 22)

Designing successful pilots for local pharmaceutical services was the theme of a MedM conference in Milton Keynes on May 14. The following were discussed: lessons from personal medical services; advice for primary care trusts; a department of health view. (Fulltext of meeting available on internet: [http://www.pharmj.com/Editorial/20020622/forum/forum\\_medm.html](http://www.pharmj.com/Editorial/20020622/forum/forum_medm.html) )

**NPA launches LPS guide.** Pharmaceutical-Journal 2002:268:676 (May 18)

A simple guide to local pharmaceutical services (LPS) pilots has been launched by the National Pharmaceutical Association to help pharmacy contractors and primary care trusts prepare bids for LPS pilots. The guide interprets the Department of Health's guidance on LPS and explains how to manage the bidding process and find funding. . (Fulltext of news item available on internet: <http://www.pharmj.com/Editorial/20020518/news/lpsguide.html> )

**PCTs start to set their criteria for LPS pilots.** Medicines-Management 2002:3:1 (May/Jun)

Primary care trusts have begun to set out their ideas for the types of services that community pharmacists might provide under local pharmaceutical services pilots, ranging from support for community services, to using pharmacies to increase access to services by patients from ethnic minorities. (Fulltext of news item available on internet:

<http://www.pharmj.com/MedicinesManagement/editorial/200205/news/pcts.html> )

Buisson-J. **Local pharmaceutical services: a new threat or an opportunity for pharmacy?**

Pharmaceutical-Journal 2002:268:605-06 (May 4)

The Department of Health issued guidance on local pharmaceutical services (LPS) contracts on 26 April (see p597). Speakers at the Institute of Pharmacy Management International's conference, held in Salisbury on 27-28 April, were divided on whether LPS represented a threat or an opportunity for community pharmacy. This article is under the headings of: PCTs in the driving seat; what could LPS offer; LPS in Scotland; LPS - an opportunity for us or for the Americans?; how to make an outline bid proposal for LPS. (Fulltext of news feature available on internet: [http://www.pharmj.com/Editorial/20020504/news/news\\_lps.html](http://www.pharmj.com/Editorial/20020504/news/news_lps.html) )

Paragpuri-G. **Thinking of running an LPS pilot?** Chemist-and-Druggist 2002:257:30 (Jun 15)  
Article discussing a computer program that could find suitable patients for health interventions in local pharmaceutical or medicines management services. The primary care data quality program (PCDQ) was set up two years ago and is currently used by more than 20 PCTs.

**Control of entry will not apply to local pharmaceutical services contracts.** Pharmaceutical-Journal 2002:268:596 (May 4)

Local pharmaceutical services pilot schemes will not be governed by National Health Service rules covering the control of entry into contracts or the terms of service for pharmacy contractors. However, such conditions and their effects will have to be taken into account when approving LPS pilot schemes. The Department of Health released its guidance on LPS on 26 April. (Fulltext of news item available on internet:

<http://www.pharmj.com/Editorial/20020504/news/controlofentry.html>)

Baines-D. **LPS - friend or foe?** Independent-Community-Pharmacist 2002:April:8

Article on local pharmaceutical services suggesting that now is neither a very good, nor very bad time to be an independent community pharmacist. Five threats to independents from LPS are mentioned.

Wang-LN. **First LPS proposals expected by June.** Pharmaceutical-Journal 2002:268:426 (Mar 30)

Deadlines for submitting local pharmaceutical services (LPS) pilot proposals have been announced by the Department of Health. However, primary care organisations have concerns about the timing and the availability of funding. A four stage implementation for local pharmaceutical services is outlined. (Fulltext of news feature available on internet:

[http://www.pharmj.com/Editorial/20020330/news/news\\_lps.html](http://www.pharmj.com/Editorial/20020330/news/news_lps.html))

**LPS helpline launched.** Pharmaceutical-Journal 2002:268:385 (March 23).

The National Pharmaceutical Association launched a helpline to answer queries about local pharmaceutical services (LPS). Queries on any aspect of LPS can be made by either telephone or e-mail. The service is open to NPA members and to people who plan to develop LPS with community pharmacists including prescribing advisers and managers at local pharmaceutical committees, primary care trusts and equivalent organisations. The helpline telephone number is 01727 858 687 ext 376 or 293 or e-mail: [lps.help@npa.co.uk](mailto:lps.help@npa.co.uk). (Fulltext of news item available on internet: <http://www.pharmj.com/Editorial/20020323/news/lpshelpline.html>)

King-R. **A view from the sharp end.** Chemist-and-Druggist 2002:257:36-37 (Mar 9)

Article discussing the future for local pharmaceutical committees (LPCs) and the prospects for local pharmaceutical services (LPS).

**Local pharmaceutical services.** Community-Pharmacy 2002:February:24-25

An overview of how to get involved in local pharmaceutical services, how to put together a successful pilot bid and what the Government's view is.

Beard-T. **Giving prescribing that extra edge.** Chemist-and-Druggist 2002:257(Pharmacy Update):19-22 (Feb 16)

Article on prescribing support by community pharmacists. The introduction of local pharmaceutical services is also discussed.

Craig-G; Russell-R. **Yourviews: LPS - should it be welcomed or feared?** Chemist-and-Druggist 2002:257:12 (Feb 16)

The authors (from the NPA) look at the implications of guidance on LPS.

Baines-D. **Local Pharmaceutical Service (LPS) scheme.** Chemist-and-Druggist 2002:257:32-33 (Feb 9)

Pharmacies will soon be able to elect to provide dispensing, and other innovative services to local patients under the Government's new local Pharmaceutical Services (LPS) scheme. Under this voluntary initiative, contractors will be able to directly negotiate their own contracts, set their own targets and agree financial terms that suit themselves and the NHS. The LPS scheme was made law by clauses 29 to 41 of the Health and Social Care Bill enacted in 2001. The key features of the scheme are discussed.

**Local Pharmaceutical Services (LPS).** Chemist-and-Druggist 2002:257:18-19 (Jan 12)

This article discusses the DoH's current thoughts on local pharmaceutical services (LPS), which were introduced by the Health and Social Care Act 2001. LPS could revolutionise the provision of pharmacy care and how it is contracted within the NHS. LPS provider arrangements are mentioned.

Baines-D. **Local pharmaceutical services.** Chemist-and-Druggist 2001:256:36-37 (Dec 8)

The author argues that local pharmaceutical committees should avoid getting involved in redesigning local pharmaceutical services.

Russell-R; Craig-G. **Local pharmaceutical services - what can we learn from doctors and dentists?** Pharmaceutical-Journal 2001:267(Dec 15):865-866

Department of Health guidance on local pharmaceutical services (LPS) for the first wave of pilots is keenly awaited. In this article the authors examine the experiences of personal medical and dental services to date, and how the lessons learnt may be helpful to community pharmacy in the development of LPS. (Fulltext of article available on internet: <http://www.pharmj.com/Editorial/20011215/articles/article2.html>)

Baines-D. **Local Pharmaceutical Services.** Chemist-and-Druggist 2001:256:22-23 (July 21)

Article on Local Pharmaceutical Services (LPS) pilot projects. Currently professional leaders and the NHS Executive are holding a behind the scenes debate about the best way in which to operate the LPS scheme. Details are given on the type of activities that might be covered by the schemes and advice is given on how to be part of a successful LPS partnership.

Yu-R. **Personal Medical Services.** Chemist-and-Druggist 2001:255:26-27 (June 16)

Article examines the pros and cons of personal medical services (PMS) and considers how general practitioners have reacted to their introduction. Local Pharmaceutical Service (LPS) pilots can learn lessons from PMS and personal dental schemes (PDS).

Baines-DL. **NHS plan.** Chemist-and-Druggist 2001:255:18-19 (May 12)

Article considers the Health and Social Care Bill and its potential impact on pharmacy. There is discussion on the NHS plan for pharmacy and possible changes to the pharmacy contract in relation to the provision of local pharmaceutical services.

**First wave of local pilots in 2002.** Pharmaceutical-Journal 2001:266(Mar 3):270

The first local pharmaceutical services pilot schemes could be introduced next year, according to a briefing document produced by the Department of Health. The LPS briefing was distributed to local pharmaceutical committees by the Pharmaceutical Services Negotiating Committee after its meeting on February 14. Details of the briefing document is provided. (Fulltext of news item available on internet: <http://www.pharmj.com/Editorial/20010303/news/news.html#1>)

**PSNC secures Health Bill change.** Pharmaceutical-Journal 2001:266(Feb 10):174

The position of existing pharmacy contractors will have to be considered before any local pharmaceutical services (LPS) pilot is established, following amendments to the Health and Social Care Bill made after pressure from the Pharmaceutical Services Negotiating Committee. Mr Wally Dove (chairman, PSNC) issued a statement on February 5 (details provided). (Fulltext of news item available on internet: <http://www.pharmj.com/Editorial/20010210/news/news.html#1>)

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