

Connecting care+ Pharmacy

Who are the Connecting care+ Pharmacists?

The Connecting care+ pharmacists are clinical pharmacists working in the community to provide safe and effective pharmaceutical care in a domiciliary setting. They are employed by Mid Yorkshire Hospitals NHS Trust

An Overview of our Service

Pharmacists will review referred patients and conduct clinical medicine reviews and carry out interventions where appropriate to improve pharmaceutical care. Pharmacists will provide medication education, assess adherence and follow up patients as appropriate to monitor outcomes.

Access & Criteria / Referring to us

Criteria

- Adult patients aged 18 years and over
- Registered with a Wakefield CCG member GP practice
- Have a rising risk of admission or readmission to hospital due to worsening clinical condition or when there is an opportunity to avoid hospitalisation

Patients requiring specific consideration include those:

- Taking 4 or more long term medications concurrently where changes to the regular medication regime have been made or there is a concern about adherence.
- Following a medication related admission e.g. hypotension, hypoglycaemia
- Following hospital admission, those identified at risk of medication related problems
- Having confusion with their medication or difficulty managing medicines
- Frequent GP attenders
- Large amounts of unused medications in the home or returned to pharmacy
- Taking high risk drugs e.g. opiates, benzodiazepines, methotrexate, insulin, antiplatelets/anticoagulants, Parkinson's medications
- Repeated falls

Other criteria may be considered appropriate for inclusion, but priority may be given to patients meeting the above criteria at the discretion of the pharmacist.

Referrals

- Internal referral via PIC on systmone,
- Connecting care+ partners via Care coordination hubs
- Any other referrers via single point of contact (SPOC): 01924 327591

Locations & Opening Hours

There are 3 WTE pharmacists that cover the two CCT hubs:

- Bullenshaw, Hemsworth
- Waterton, Wakefield

The service is available Monday to Friday 8.45am – 5.15pm.