

Medicines Optimisation Resources

General

Resource name	URL	Password needed	Details of password	Comments	Tips
BSW Medicines Optimisation and APC Website	https://bswtogether.org.uk/medicines/	No			use Search bar
BSW Formulary	Formulary (bswformulary.nhs.uk)	No		Home Page has links to Prescribing guidelines and SCAs	about - gives info re Traffic Light Status (TLS)
BSW (NHSE guidance) - OTC	https://bsw.icb.nhs.uk/your-health/which-nhs-service-should-i-use/self-care/	No			
BSW Prior approval and Exceptions	https://bsw.icb.nhs.uk/your-health/what-we-do-and-dont-fund/	No			
BNF	https://bnf.nice.org.uk/	No			
BNF-C	https://bnfc.nice.org.uk/	No			
Community Pharmacy - Avon & Wiltshire	https://avonwilts.communitypharmacy.org.uk/about-us/	No			
Dermatology - British association of Dermatology (BAD)	https://www.bad.org.uk/	No			
Drug Tariff	Drug tariff nhsbsa.nhs.uk	No		Use PDF rather than online version as speedier	use control F to search
FDB (Optimise Rx)	https://medsopt.fdbhealth.co.uk/	Yes	ICB ONLY - Login details provided by BS or JM		
GP Evidence	https://gpevidence.org/	No		Summaries of the evidence on the benefits and harms of treatments for long term conditions	
Herbal Medicines	https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/herbal-medicines-granted-a-traditional-herbal-registration-thr	No		More information on MHRA THR list found here https://www.rpharms.com/resources/quick-reference-guides/herbal-medicine-registration-scheme	SPS website have a resource https://www.sps.nhs.uk/articles/handling-questions-about-herbal-medicines-or-dietary-supplements-and-conventional-medicines/
Medicines Information support	Contact details for Medicines Advice across England Healthcare professionals in primary care (including community pharmacy) in England can now get in touch using a single contact number (telephone 0300 7708564) and email address (askspnhs@sps.direct) to access Medicines Advice			Helpful Summary - https://www.sps.nhs.uk/articles/contacting-us-for-medicines-advice/	
NHS website -medicines A-Z	https://www.nhs.uk/	No			
NICE -CKS	https://cks.nice.org.uk/	No			
NICE- Guidance	https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance	No			
PrescQIPP	https://www.prescqipp.info/	Yes	Register free for login details	full access passphrase is Redshank	
PrescQIPP- e-learning	E learning prescqipp.info/login/index.php	Yes	Register free for login details - some e learning is free but practices may need to purchase some e-learning	CCG ONLY K:\Medicines Optimisation\Prescribing Support Systems\PresQIPP	CCG ONLY - Latest course codes can be found by accessing K drive (adjacent) and looking in Courses and pricing summary)
PSNC-Pharmaceutical Services Negotiating Committee	psnc.org.uk/	No		Landing page has Dm&D info but wealth of other info including Supply Chain and shortages accessed >	https://psnc.org.uk/Supply Chain and Shortages
RpharmS e - library	https://www.rpharms.com/	Yes	Pharmacist subscrition only - not free	Maudsley (both the physical health guidelines and psych guidelines), Drug administration via enteral feeding tubes, Renal Drug Handbook, Meds Ethics and Practice plus the Oxford Handbook of General Practice and others. EMC	
SPCs - emc	https://www.medicines.org.uk/emc/	No		https://www.medicines.org.uk/emc/advanced-search	use advanced search to search for lactose free, for example, preps
SPS -Specialist Pharmacy Service	https://www.sps.nhs.uk	Yes/No	Registering allows greater content access including medicines suply tool ->	https://www.sps.nhs.uk/home/planning/medicines-supply-tool/	
Vaccines - The Green Book	https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/immunisation-against-infectious-disease-the-green-book	No			Email IMMS team for advice - England.swicars@nhs.net
Wessex LMC -Local Medical Committees	https://www.wessexlmcn.com/	No		Some of our guidance originates from here e.g. Duration of Prescriptions -	

CPD & Learning

CPPE- Answering medicines-related questions in practice	https://www.cppe.ac.uk/programmes/1/amrqp-p-01/	Yes	some courses are free		
Medicines learning Portal	https://www.medicineslearningportal.org/p/about-3.html	No		e.g. Excipients Learning tutorial - https://www.medicineslearningportal.org/2019/11/excipients-learning-outcomes.html	This site is designed for hospital pharmacists in their first 1,000 days of practice and there is a one page overview of the site as a PDF. Some content may also be of interest to hospital pharmacy technicians, community pharmacists, CCG pharmacists, and pharmacists returning to hospital practice after a career break

Networks

PCPA- Primary Care Pharmacy Network	https://pcpa.org.uk/	Yes	Register - not free		
PrescQIPP-Practice Plus	https://www.prescqipp.info/learning/practice-plus/	Yes	Free of charge for subscribers of PrescQIPP		
UKCPA- UK Clinical Pharmacy	https://ukclinicalpharmacy.org/	Yes	Register - not free		