

Discharge Medicines Service (DMS)

The service fee for DMS referral is £35. A partial fee is available for different aspects of the service if you are unable to complete it fully. Pharmacies should aim to complete the full service for patients wherever possible.

Claimable aspect	Partial Fee	Description of process	Timescale	Who
A discharge referral is received by the pharmacy.	£12	Check clinical information and actions. Details of what to look for are outlined in the DMS toolkit.	Within 72 hrs (3 working days)	Pharmacist Pharmacist, Pharmacy Technician
		Compare the discharge medicines to pre-admission medicines. Are there any changes?		
		Where necessary, raise any issues identified with the hospital or GP surgery.		
		Make appropriate notes on the PMR or other appropriate record to conduct stages 2 and 3, when the first prescription is received or at first contact with the patient/carer.		
		Check any outstanding prescriptions awaiting collection -are they still appropriate? If eRD the GP surgery may need to cancel and issue new eRD scripts.		
The first prescription is received by the pharmacy following discharge.	£11	<p>Check medicines prescribed post-discharge take account of the changes made.</p> <p>Any discrepancies, resolve them with the GP practice. The GP practice may want to provide a Structured Medication Review.</p> <p>Make appropriate notes on the patient PMR or other appropriate record.</p>	One week to one month post discharge	Pharmacist, Pharmacy Technician
Check of the patient's understanding of their new medicines regimen.	£12	<p>Check their (patient or carer) understanding of what medicines they should now be taking/using, when they should be taking/using and any other relevant advice to support medicines taking/use. This confidential discussion can be provided either in consultation room or by telephone/ video consultation.</p> <p>Information that would be of value to the GP practice or PCN pharmacist, should be communicated securely.</p> <p>Offer to dispose of any medicines that are no longer required, to avoid potential confusion and prevent an adverse event.</p> <p>Make appropriate notes on the PMR and/or other appropriate record. Where appropriate, other services can also be provided e.g. New Medicine Service.</p>	When the first post discharge prescription is received	Pharmacist, Pharmacy Technician
Claim for service delivery.	TOTAL FEE AVAILABLE: £35	Submit claim on MYS along with Summary Data.	Monthly on MYS.	