
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The National Health Service (Pharmaceutical Services,
Charges and Prescribing) (Amendment) Regulations 2018

PART 4

Amendments to the GMS Contracts Regulations

Amendment of regulation 57 of the GMS Contracts Regulations

18.—(1) Regulation 57 of the GMS Contracts Regulations (electronic prescriptions) is amended as follows.

(2) In paragraph (1), omit sub-paragraphs (a) and (b).

(3) After paragraph (1), insert the following paragraphs—

“(1A) If a prescriber orders a drug, medicine or appliance by means of an electronic prescription, the prescriber must issue the patient with—

(a) subject to paragraph (1C), an EPS token; and

(b) if the patient, or where appropriate an authorised person, so requests, a written record of the prescription that has been created.

(1B) On and after the contractor’s EPS phase 4 date, if the order is eligible for Electronic Prescription Service use, the prescriber must ascertain if the patient, or where appropriate the patient’s authorised person, wants to have the electronic prescription dispensed by a nominated dispenser.

(1C) The prescriber must not issue the patient with an EPS token if the patient, or where appropriate the patient’s authorised person, wants to have the electronic prescription dispensed by a nominated dispenser.”.

(4) Omit paragraphs (3) and (4).