

Pharmacy First Changes Timeline – What You Need to Do

The below provides a month-by-month breakdown of key actions required under the 2025/26 Pharmacy First contract changes.

17 Date	✓ What Pharmacies Need to Do
April – May 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pharmacy First Consultations for Minor Illness and Clinical Conditions increased to £17 (£2 uplift) • Urgent Supply consultation fee to remain unchanged (£15) • Continue meeting the 30-consultation threshold for Pharmacy First
June 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pharmacies will need to be registered to provide PCS and HCFS services • Start delivering Contraception & Hypertension consultations • From 1st June submit Pharmacy First consultation claims within one month (from the end of the month in which they were provided) for example, Pharmacy First consultations provided in June will need to be claimed on MYS by the last day of July) • From 1st June 2025, a banded approach will be added to the monthly payment: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ £500 for those providing 20-29 Clinical pathways consultations within a month; and ▪ £1000 for those pharmacies that provide 30 or more Clinical pathways consultations within a month.
October 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide at least one ABPM consultation every month • EHC will be added to the Pharmacy Contraception Service from October 2025
March 2026	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meet the minimum number of contraception consultations (exact number TBC)

For reference: You can use the link below to access the NHSBSA portal, where you'll find everything you need to either register for the Pharmacy First service or make a claim: <https://www.nhsbsa.nhs.uk/pharmacies-gp-practices-and-appliance-contractors/dispensing-contractors-information/nhs-pharmacy-first-service-pfs>