



Dear Colleague

**PHARMACEUTICAL SERVICES
AMENDMENT TO DRUG TARIFF
DISCOUNT CLAW BACK RATE PT 7 GENERIC DRUGS**

Summary

1. This Circular advises of arrangements in the Scottish Drug Tariff with respect to the discount clawback rate in respect of reimbursement for items listed at Pt 7 for dispensings from 1 March 2015 onwards for non ZD items.

Background

2. NHS Circular [\(PCA\) \(P\)\(2014\) 22](#) advised that the discount claw back rate in respect of reimbursement for non ZD items listed at Pt 7 of the Drug Tariff was reset to **1.3%** for dispensing months October 2014 onwards. Claw back rates are reviewed quarterly in accordance with the provisions of the current settlement for community pharmacy funding.

Details

3. The Drug Tariff has now been amended such that the clawback rate in respect of reimbursement of non ZD items in Pt 7 dispensed from 1 March 2015 is reset to **3%**.

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Addresses

For action

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4. This rate of clawback will remain in place in respect of the 3 dispensing months March-May 2015 inclusive, to continue the recovery of sums remaining due from contractors to Boards under the 2013-14 Margin Sharing Arrangements (MSA).

7. Community Pharmacy Scotland has been consulted on the terms of this amendment to the Drug Tariff.

Action

8. NHS Boards are asked to share a copy of this Circular with all Community Pharmacy Contractors, Community Health Partnerships and the Area Pharmaceutical Committee.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Bill Scott". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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