

Dear Colleague

## Pharmaceutical Services: Drug Tariff Part 11: Discount Clawback Scale

### Summary

1. This circular advises on the Drug Tariff Part 11 concerning the discount clawback rate to apply in respect of reimbursements to community pharmacy contractors in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 15 of Part 1 of the Drug Tariff, taking effect for dispensings from 1 April 2016.

### Background

2. Part 11 to the Drug Tariff prescribes the rate of discount clawback to be applied in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 15 of Part 1 of the Drug Tariff. It is reviewed periodically in the context of funding arrangements negotiated between the Scottish Government and Community Pharmacy Scotland on behalf of Scottish Community Pharmacy Contractors. NHS Circular PCA (P) (2015) 30 advised of an amendment to the Drug Tariff such that the target rate of clawback from 1 December 2015 was rolled forward at **6.97%** with the clawback scale adjusted accordingly.

### Details

3. Action to resolve data validation of the Quarterly Discount Survey results has now been completed and with effect from 1 April 2016 dispensings, the Drug Tariff shall be reset to **6.18%**. As such the target clawback has been adjusted accordingly. See the attached Annex for further detail on the scale.

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#### Addresses

##### For action

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4. Pending any further notice, the target clawback shall be reviewed in accordance with the agreed context of the funding arrangements upon receipt of the next Quarterly Discount Survey.

### **Consultation**

5. Community Pharmacy Scotland has been consulted on the Drug Tariff amendments and the contents of this Circular.

### **Action**

6. **NHS Boards should share a copy of this Circular with all Community Pharmacy Contractors, Health and Social Care Partnerships and the Area Pharmaceutical Committee.**

Yours sincerely



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**Drug Tariff Pt 11 Net Ingredient Cost Scale for Pharmacy Contractors**  
The following clawback scales take effect for dispensings from 1 April 2016

| Ingredient value |         | Rate at |         |         |       |         |         |       |          |           |       |
|------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|-------|---------|---------|-------|----------|-----------|-------|
| From             | To      | 6.18%   |         |         |       |         |         |       |          |           |       |
| £0               | £3,000  | 0.00%   | £12,500 | £12,750 | 5.12% | £22,250 | £22,500 | 5.78% | £40,500  | £41,500   | 6.17% |
| £3,000           | £3,250  | 0.00%   | £12,750 | £13,000 | 5.15% | £22,500 | £22,750 | 5.79% | £41,500  | £42,250   | 6.18% |
| £3,250           | £3,500  | 0.96%   | £13,000 | £13,250 | 5.18% | £22,750 | £23,000 | 5.80% | £42,250  | £43,250   | 6.19% |
| £3,500           | £3,750  | 1.35%   | £13,250 | £13,500 | 5.21% | £23,000 | £23,250 | 5.81% | £43,250  | £44,250   | 6.20% |
| £3,750           | £4,000  | 1.69%   | £13,500 | £13,750 | 5.23% | £23,250 | £23,500 | 5.82% | £44,250  | £45,250   | 6.21% |
| £4,000           | £4,250  | 1.99%   | £13,750 | £14,000 | 5.26% | £23,500 | £23,750 | 5.83% | £45,250  | £46,500   | 6.22% |
| £4,250           | £4,500  | 2.26%   | £14,000 | £14,250 | 5.28% | £23,750 | £24,250 | 5.84% | £46,500  | £47,500   | 6.23% |
| £4,500           | £4,750  | 2.50%   | £14,250 | £14,500 | 5.30% | £24,250 | £24,500 | 5.85% | £47,500  | £48,750   | 6.24% |
| £4,750           | £5,000  | 2.71%   | £14,500 | £14,750 | 5.33% | £24,500 | £24,750 | 5.86% | £48,750  | £50,000   | 6.25% |
| £5,000           | £5,250  | 2.90%   | £14,750 | £15,000 | 5.35% | £24,750 | £25,000 | 5.87% | £50,000  | £51,500   | 6.26% |
| £5,250           | £5,500  | 3.07%   | £15,000 | £15,250 | 5.37% | £25,000 | £25,500 | 5.88% | £51,500  | £52,750   | 6.27% |
| £5,500           | £5,750  | 3.23%   | £15,250 | £15,500 | 5.39% | £25,500 | £25,750 | 5.89% | £52,750  | £54,250   | 6.28% |
| £5,750           | £6,000  | 3.38%   | £15,500 | £15,750 | 5.41% | £25,750 | £26,250 | 5.90% | £54,250  | £56,000   | 6.29% |
| £6,000           | £6,250  | 3.51%   | £15,750 | £16,000 | 5.43% | £26,250 | £26,500 | 5.91% | £56,000  | £57,500   | 6.30% |
| £6,250           | £6,500  | 3.63%   | £16,000 | £16,250 | 5.45% | £26,500 | £27,000 | 5.92% | £57,500  | £59,500   | 6.31% |
| £6,500           | £6,750  | 3.75%   | £16,250 | £16,500 | 5.47% | £27,000 | £27,250 | 5.93% | £59,500  | £61,250   | 6.32% |
| £6,750           | £7,000  | 3.85%   | £16,500 | £16,750 | 5.49% | £27,250 | £27,750 | 5.94% | £61,250  | £63,250   | 6.33% |
| £7,000           | £7,250  | 3.95%   | £16,750 | £17,000 | 5.50% | £27,750 | £28,000 | 5.95% | £63,250  | £65,500   | 6.34% |
| £7,250           | £7,500  | 4.04%   | £17,000 | £17,250 | 5.52% | £28,000 | £28,500 | 5.96% | £65,500  | £67,750   | 6.35% |
| £7,500           | £7,750  | 4.13%   | £17,250 | £17,500 | 5.54% | £28,500 | £29,000 | 5.97% | £67,750  | £70,250   | 6.36% |
| £7,750           | £8,000  | 4.21%   | £17,500 | £17,750 | 5.55% | £29,000 | £29,250 | 5.98% | £70,250  | £73,000   | 6.37% |
| £8,000           | £8,250  | 4.28%   | £17,750 | £18,000 | 5.57% | £29,250 | £29,750 | 5.99% | £73,000  | £75,750   | 6.38% |
| £8,250           | £8,500  | 4.35%   | £18,000 | £18,250 | 5.58% | £29,750 | £30,250 | 6.00% | £75,750  | £79,000   | 6.39% |
| £8,500           | £8,750  | 4.42%   | £18,250 | £18,500 | 5.60% | £30,250 | £30,750 | 6.01% | £79,000  | £82,500   | 6.40% |
| £8,750           | £9,000  | 4.48%   | £18,500 | £18,750 | 5.61% | £30,750 | £31,250 | 6.02% | £82,500  | £86,000   | 6.41% |
| £9,000           | £9,250  | 4.54%   | £18,750 | £19,000 | 5.62% | £31,250 | £31,750 | 6.03% | £86,000  | £90,250   | 6.42% |
| £9,250           | £9,500  | 4.59%   | £19,000 | £19,250 | 5.64% | £31,750 | £32,250 | 6.04% | £90,250  | £94,500   | 6.43% |
| £9,500           | £9,750  | 4.65%   | £19,250 | £19,500 | 5.65% | £32,250 | £33,000 | 6.05% | £94,500  | £99,500   | 6.44% |
| £9,750           | £10,000 | 4.70%   | £19,500 | £19,750 | 5.66% | £33,000 | £33,500 | 6.06% | £99,500  | £105,000  | 6.45% |
| £10,000          | £10,250 | 4.75%   | £19,750 | £20,000 | 5.67% | £33,500 | £34,000 | 6.07% | £105,000 | £111,000  | 6.46% |
| £10,250          | £10,500 | 4.79%   | £20,000 | £20,250 | 5.69% | £34,000 | £34,750 | 6.08% | £111,000 | £118,000  | 6.47% |
| £10,500          | £10,750 | 4.83%   | £20,250 | £20,500 | 5.70% | £34,750 | £35,250 | 6.09% | £118,000 | £125,500  | 6.48% |
| £10,750          | £11,000 | 4.88%   | £20,500 | £20,750 | 5.71% | £35,250 | £36,000 | 6.10% | £125,500 | £134,500  | 6.49% |
| £11,000          | £11,250 | 4.92%   | £20,750 | £21,000 | 5.72% | £36,000 | £36,750 | 6.11% | £134,500 | £144,500  | 6.50% |
| £11,250          | £11,500 | 4.95%   | £21,000 | £21,250 | 5.73% | £36,750 | £37,500 | 6.12% | £144,500 | £156,250  | 6.51% |
| £11,500          | £11,750 | 4.99%   | £21,250 | £21,500 | 5.74% | £37,500 | £38,000 | 6.13% | £156,250 | £170,250  | 6.52% |
| £11,750          | £12,000 | 5.02%   | £21,500 | £21,750 | 5.75% | £38,000 | £39,000 | 6.14% | £170,250 | £187,000  | 6.53% |
| £12,000          | £12,250 | 5.06%   | £21,750 | £22,000 | 5.76% | £39,000 | £39,750 | 6.15% | £187,000 | £207,000  | 6.54% |
| £12,250          | £12,500 | 5.09%   | £22,000 | £22,250 | 5.77% | £39,750 | £40,500 | 6.16% | £207,000 | £232,250  | 6.55% |
|                  |         |         |         |         |       |         |         |       | £232,250 | £264,250  | 6.56% |
|                  |         |         |         |         |       |         |         |       | £264,250 | or higher | 6.57% |