

## CONDITIONS

Cough  
Hay fever  
Colic  
Vaginal thrush  
Conjunctivitis  
Fever in children  
Diarrhoea  
Constipation  
Scabies  
Warts & Verrucas  
Threadworm  
Head Lice

A list of Pharmacies involved in the scheme will be available on the Rotherham CCG Website.

[www.rotherhamccg.nhs.uk](http://www.rotherhamccg.nhs.uk)



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## We value your comments

If you have any suggestions or concerns, you can speak to any member of staff, the practice manager or contact the medicines management team on 01709 302632 or fax 01709 302061

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## INTRODUCTION

Rotherham GPs and community pharmacies are offering a service that gives more patient choice.

This service is called 'Pharmacy First' and means that you can get advice and/or medicines for common less serious illnesses from a community pharmacy, without having to make an appointment with your GP.

If you don't normally pay NHS prescription charges, then any medicine supplied under the Pharmacy First scheme will be **FREE**.

If you do pay for your prescriptions, then the cost of the medicine(s) should be much less than the current prescription charge.

Your pharmacist is a qualified health care professional who can help with your health problems. The pharmacist will offer you a private space to talk to you about your symptoms.

## QUESTIONS

### How do I know if I can use the Pharmacy First Scheme?

The 'Pharmacy First' scheme is available to anyone registered with a Rotherham GP Practice.

### What about children?

Children can be treated for certain conditions depending on their age and what medicines are available. Some medicines can only be given to younger children on prescription. Sometimes the pharmacist will need to see your child to make sure the right advice or treatment is given.

### How do I know which pharmacy to go to?

The NHS Rotherham CCG website lists all pharmacies involved in the scheme that will offer treatment and/or advice. The pharmacies participating in the scheme will display a 'Pharmacy First' window sticker in their window. All participating pharmacies have a private consultation area.

### What ailments are included in the scheme?

Overleaf is a list of all the conditions currently covered by the scheme.

### Will I always receive medicines?

No, because you may not require any. If this is the case the pharmacist will give you advice on how best to treat your symptoms.

If it is appropriate the pharmacist will give you the right medicine(s). This medicine is only for you and should not be used for anyone else.

The pharmacist will also tell you the best way to take the medicine and other ways to help manage your symptoms. If the pharmacist thinks you need to see your doctor or nurse, the pharmacist will provide you with a referral slip for you to take to your GP. This will indicate to your doctor or nurse that you have been to the pharmacy and the reason you have been referred to them.

### What should I do if my symptoms persist?

It is IMPORTANT that if your symptoms persist you should seek further advice from your Pharmacist or GP. Take this leaflet with you and any medication you may have been taking.

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