

To: All Community Pharmacies

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Dear Colleague

IMPORT DECLARATION FOR MEDICINES AND MEDICINES SUPPLIES

As you will be aware, from January 2021 import declarations are required for goods moving from Great Britain (GB) to Northern Ireland (NI). This includes medicines and medical supplies.

The United Kingdom Government has set up a new Trader Support Service (TSS) to assist with the trade of goods between GB and NI. The TSS provides training and support, and will raise declarations on behalf of traders.

All pharmacies were advised to register with the TSS prior to 1st January 2021 and obtain an XI EORI number.

HSCB have been made aware of a small number of companies supplying medicines/medical supplies into Northern Ireland who are using Delivered at Place (DAP) Incoterms meaning the buyer must complete the import declaration.

If you encounter this with any medical supplier, please advise HSCB via email to the Drug Tariff Co-Ordinator, veranne.lynch@hscni.net and we will endeavour to resolve this situation.

Please note, import declarations can be raised via TSS free of charge. Contractors will *not* be reimbursed for any costs paid to independent brokers or third parties for completing import declarations via the usual BSO payment process.

Yours sincerely,



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