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## Antibiotic incentive scheme launched

A national programme to combat antibiotic over usage has been launched by the NHS.

It will be the world's largest healthcare incentive scheme, for hospitals, family doctors and other health service providers to prevent the growing problem of antibiotic resistance.

Prescriptions need to be reduce in primary care, payments will be paid to hospital trusts to gather and share evidence of antibiotic consumption, more monitoring will take place.

To read more

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/2016/03/antibiotic-overusage/>

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## Pharmacists in care homes

The NHS could save £135m every year by placing a pharmacist in every care home.

97% of elderly people placed in care homes are prescribed medicines.

There are various issues with prescribed medicines in care homes, such as, anti-psychotics being given; danger of the medicines outweighs the benefits, unused medicines.

To read more

<http://www.nationalhealthexecutive.com/Care-Pathways/pharmacists-in-care-homes-could-save-nhs-135m-each-year->

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## Forthcoming events

Organizer	Date	Venue	Link or Email
NHS England and NICE New Framework for Specialised Commissioning of Non- Cancer & Non-NICE Topic Selected Drugs Workshop	1st April 2016	London	<a href="mailto:Aadepoju (a/t) uk.imshealth.com">Aadepoju (a/t) uk.imshealth.com</a>
Second EMA's Paediatric Industry Platform	15th April 2016	London	<a href="mailto:terlez (a/t) eucope.org">terlez (a/t) eucope.org</a>
Medical and Scientific Group Meeting; The Role of Economic Evaluation in R&D	19th April 2016	London	<a href="mailto:sarah.rogers (a/t) emig.org.uk">sarah.rogers (a/t) emig.org.uk</a>
Priorities for healthcare research: funding, regulation and collaboration	26th May 2016	Central London	<a href="http://www.westminsterforumprojects.co.uk/forums/bo ok_event.php?eid=1172">http://www.westminsterforumprojects.co.uk/forums/bo ok_event.php?eid=1172</a>
Financial challenges for the NHS and priorities for NHS Improvement	9th June 2016	Central London	<a href="http://www.westminsterforumprojects.co.uk/forums/bo ok_event.php?eid=1228">http://www.westminsterforumprojects.co.uk/forums/bo ok_event.php?eid=1228</a>
EMIG HR Group Meeting	14th June 2016	London	<a href="mailto:sarah.rogers (a/t) emig.org.uk">sarah.rogers (a/t) emig.org.uk</a>
Conference on developing technology in health and social care - with NHS England	22nd June 2016	Central London	<a href="http://www.westminsterforumprojects.co.uk/forums/bo ok_event.php?eid=1200">http://www.westminsterforumprojects.co.uk/forums/bo ok_event.php?eid=1200</a>
The future for primary care in Greater Manchester	15th July 2016	Manchester	<a href="http://www.westminsterforumprojects.co.uk/forums/bo ok_event.php?eid=1202">http://www.westminsterforumprojects.co.uk/forums/bo ok_event.php?eid=1202</a>
<b>EMIG Medical &amp; Scientific + Regulatory, Safety &amp; Quality Meeting Dates for 2016</b>			
The Role of Economic Evaluation in R&D, with Roboleo & Co and MAP Biopharma	19th April 2016		<a href="mailto:sarah.rogers (a/t) emig.org.uk">sarah.rogers (a/t) emig.org.uk</a>
EU GMP/GDP update with the MHRA	18th May 2016		<a href="mailto:sarah.rogers (a/t) emig.org.uk">sarah.rogers (a/t) emig.org.uk</a>
Clinical Research "Surgery" with Dr Jonathan Sheffield	29th June 2016		<a href="mailto:sarah.rogers (a/t) emig.org.uk">sarah.rogers (a/t) emig.org.uk</a>
ISO IDMP, with TRAC Services	5th July 2016		<a href="mailto:sarah.rogers (a/t) emig.org.uk">sarah.rogers (a/t) emig.org.uk</a>
Clinical Research "Surgery" with Dr Jonathan Sheffield	6th September 2016		<a href="mailto:sarah.rogers (a/t) emig.org.uk">sarah.rogers (a/t) emig.org.uk</a>
More than power and p-values" - The value of experienced statistical support in the drug development process, with members of the Statisticians in the Pharmaceutical Industry (PSI) group	5th October 2016		<a href="mailto:sarah.rogers (a/t) emig.org.uk">sarah.rogers (a/t) emig.org.uk</a>
Clinical Research "Surgery" with Dr Jonathan Sheffield (CE of the CRN)	8th Novmber 2016		<a href="mailto:sarah.rogers (a/t) emig.org.uk">sarah.rogers (a/t) emig.org.uk</a>
<b>PLG events</b>			
UK PLG Spring meeting - 19 May 2016 - 'The digital world and			
EPLS (8th European Pharma Licensing Symposium) - 22 Sept 2016 - Belgium			
UK PLG meeting October 2016			
UK PLG Free meeting Dec 2016			

## Healthy towns

The NHS is helping to create 10 healthy towns across the country.

By doing this they are hoping to challenge key conditions such as obesity and dementia.

76,000 new homes are to be built across England, environments specifically set up to address 21st century health needs.

NHS England said it will bring together renowned clinicians, designers and technology experts to reimagine the delivery of healthcare in residential areas.

To read more

<http://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/home-news/healthy-new-towns-to-be-modelled-on-theme-parks-in-nhs-development-scheme-a6904611.html>

## Display Screen Regulations

*By The Health and Safety Executive*

The Health and Safety (Display Screen Equipment) Regulations of 1992 regulations (particularly parts 2, 4, 6 and 7) stipulate a legal workplace requirement that:

All employees are provided with adequate health and safety training in the use of any workstation upon which they may be required to work.

Employees are provided with adequate information regarding all aspects of health and safety relating to their workstations.

Employers should perform health and safety risk assessments of workstations.

The Health and Safety (Display Screen Equipment) Regulations of 1992, Sections 2,4 and 6

In terms of the frequency and nature of this training, employers are required to provide this 1) "When employment is started," to be 2) "repeated on a regular basis, as well as where risks may be increased due to changes of responsibilities or changes in working practices; adapted to take account of new risks to health and safety;" and must "take place during working hours."

With a view to the idea that the onus is then on the employer to adapt the working environment of their employees where necessary: (2,3) "The employer shall reduce the risks identified in consequence of an assessment to the lowest extent reasonably practicable".

Whatever the type or size of your company all your employees who sit at a computer for any part of their working day should have DSE - Display Screen Equipment training.

This programme has been designed to increase safety and awareness and to aid compliance with workplace regulations. This training programme ensures that your employees understand how best to take care of their health by ensuring that their immediate working environment is the best it can be.

This includes:

- Setting up desk and chair
- Computer screen, keyboard and mouse
- Understanding best posture
- Awareness of their environment, such as lighting, noise and anything that can affect comfort, well-being and efficiency at work.

Dispex is one of the country's leading providers of classroom learning for dispensing doctors and the Display Screen Regulations are covered in full and discussed in our Risk Management of the Dispensary training course.

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## £100-million cancer strategy

Scotland has revealed plans of a £100 million strategy to treat cancer; the strategy consists of improving prevention, detection, diagnosis, treatment and after care for those affected by the disease.

The plans include £50 million for radiotherapy equipment, £9 million over five years to ensure better support for people with cancer and their families, £5 million to target reducing inequalities in screening uptake, and an additional £10 million to support swift access to diagnostics for people with suspected cancer.

Also, £7.5 million has been promised to support improvements in surgical treatments, £3.5 million to drive improvements across the palliative care sector and to support targeted action on training and education, and £5 million to support waiting times performance.

To read more

<http://www.onlymedics.com/news/17-03-2016/260/Scotland+Unveils+%C2%A3100-million+Cancer+Strategy>

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## Price Watch .....UK

### Aripiprazole's prices continue to tumble

Nearly half was wiped off the average trade prices of aripiprazole 5mg, 10mg and 15mg during February, as prices for the

antipsychotic continued to tumble. As Figures 1 and 3 show, average prices for the 5mg and 10mg strengths in 28-tablet packs both dropped

by 45% last month to £4.95 (US\$7.00) and £4.77, respectively. The 15mg presentation was not far behind with a 44% price fall to £4.91.

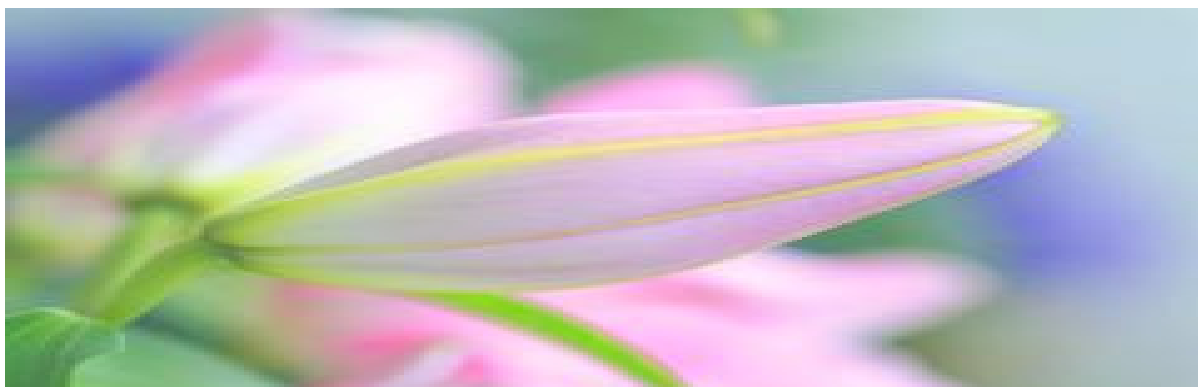
Pharmacists, meanwhile, were being reimbursed at over £20 per pack. Their dispensing margin for the 10mg strength, for example, was 77% at a Drug Tariff reimbursement price of £20.81.

To see more go to <http://www.wavedata.co.uk/newinfo.asp> and view our article from this month's Generics Bulletin.

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### WaveData — Top ten searched products where the focus was to February 2016

According to WaveData, these were the most commonly investigated products in searches of the online pricing data Wavedata Live at <http://www.wavedata.net>

Both uk and pi prices were viewed for each product, giving some indication of where the focus was to February 2016  
WaveData prices in the top 10 article are averages.

Product	Dec-15	Jan-16	Feb-16
Tamoxifen Tabs 20mg 30	£3.32	£3.34	£3.20
Xarelto Tabs 20mg 28	£48.66	£47.12	£47.52
Ursodeoxycholic Acid Caps 250mg 60	£18.84	£18.85	£18.07
Vesicare Tabs 10mg 30	£32.98	£33.20	£33.71
Trajenta Tabs 5mg 28	£31.59	£31.82	£31.10
Symbicort Turbohaler 100mcg/6mcg 1 (120 Doses)	£30.44	£28.83	£30.08
Symbicort Turbohaler 400mcg/12mcg 1 (60 Doses)	£34.58	£33.06	£34.12
Zopiclone Tabs 7.5mg 28	£0.81	£0.81	£0.76
Tamsulosin MR Caps 400mcg 30	£1.00	£0.96	£0.96
Trazodone Caps 100mg 56	£36.60	£37.13	£36.99

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