

PHARMACEUTICAL NEEDS ASSESSMENT 2022 UPDATE

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Papers with report	Appendix 1 – Demography Appendix 2 – Epidemiology Appendix 3 – Pharmacy Provision in Hillingdon Appendix 4a – Pharmacy Services Survey Appendix 4b – Patient Survey

1. HEADLINE INFORMATION

Summary	From 1 April 2013, the statutory responsibility to publish and keep up to date a statement of the need for pharmaceutical services for the population in its area transferred to Health and Wellbeing Boards from Primary Care Trusts. This statement is known as the 'Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment' (PNA). The PNA assists in the commissioning of pharmaceutical services to meet local priorities. NHS England also use the PNA when making decisions on applications to open new pharmacies. A revised PNA should be published by 1 October 2022. This paper presents an update on progress to the Health and Wellbeing Board.
Contribution to plans and strategies	The PNA sets analysis of provision of pharmacy services within Hillingdon and contributes to the Hillingdon Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy (JHWBS).
Financial Cost	There are no direct financial costs arising from this report.
Ward(s) affected	All

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Health and Wellbeing Board:

1. agree the final version of Hillingdon's Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA) including the recommendations and inclusion of summarised comments from the statutory 60-day consultation.
2. agree that the PNA be published by 1 October 2022.
3. agree to delegate further amendments to Hillingdon's PNA 2022 prior to publication to the Head of Performance & Insight, should further changes be required.

3. INFORMATION

The consultation of the 2022 PNA has concluded and was hosted on the Council website between 21 June and 19 August. Partners were informed that the consultation was available online by email on 21 June and reminded on 26 July. Comments from the consultation have been reviewed and included in the PNA where relevant and appropriate.

From the online consultation form, two responses were received:

A – one response from a pharmacist who agreed with the consultation questions.

B – one response from a Boots pharmacist who agreed with the consultation questions, but made some suggestions which have been included in the main report (draft changes are highlighted in yellow in the documentation).

Feedback was also received (via email) from a resident in Heathrow Villages, who raised concerns about pharmacy provision in that ward; a verbal update to be tabled on 13 September.

We are awaiting feedback from the London Regional office of NHS England, who assess all PNAs across London. A verbal update will be tabled on 13 September.

The PNA is on track for publication by 1 October 2022.