

Health First Pharmacy

Health First Pharmacy is being launched to provide better access to care for minor conditions especially for those considered socially vulnerable.





How to register

If you were previously registered on Pharmacy First, you will need a new registration for **Health First Pharmacy**.

This can be done in two ways:

- Your GP practice emailing the nhs.net address for the Community Pharmacy of your choice to confirm that you are registered with the practice. This email will include your NHS number.
- The Community Pharmacy will be able to check that you are still registered with a City & Hackney practice. You should take some form of ID and proof of eligibility with you to the Community Pharmacy.

Eligibility for Health First Pharmacy

Services will now be provided to residents who are considered socially vulnerable.

These include:

- Patients or their partners (including civil partner) receiving, or patients under the age of 20 and are the dependant of someone receiving:

Universal Credit and whose income is at a level where they are eligible for free prescriptions.

Any other benefits which give them eligibility for free prescriptions including: income support, income-based Jobseeker's Allowance, income-related Employment and Support Allowance, Pension Credit Guarantee Credit.

- Patients (including any partner and/or young person(s) included in the claim) receiving tax credits, who have been sent an 'NHS Tax Credit Exemption Certificate' by Prescription Services.
- NHS low income scheme.
- Prescription Exemption Certificate issued by the Ministry of Defence.
- Young people aged 16, 17 or 18 and in full-time education.
- Patients under 16 who have at least one parent who is eligible for the service.

Prescription charge exemption categories DO NOT give eligibility for Health First Pharmacy unless patients also fit into one of the socially vulnerable categories above.

Conditions covered in Health First Pharmacy:

Athletes Foot

Hay fever

Headache

Contact dermatitis

Diarrhoea

Indigestion /heartburn

Primary Dysmenorrhoea (Period Pain)

Nappy Rash

Soft tissue injury

Teething

Vaginal thrush

Toothache

Constipation

Back pain

Fever (pyrexia)

Head Lice

Ringworm

Threadworm

Warts and Verrucae