

# Sandwell Health and Wellbeing Board

## Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment

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# Scope of Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment

The objective of this PNA is to help NHS England, Sandwell MBC, Sandwell Health and Wellbeing Board, Sandwell Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG), Sandwell Local Pharmaceutical Committee (LPC), pharmacy contractors and other key stakeholders to:

- Understand the current and future pharmaceutical needs for the population of Sandwell Obtain a clear picture of pharmaceutical services currently provided
- Clearly identify and address any local gaps in pharmaceutical services
- Make appropriate decisions regarding applications for NHS pharmacy contracts
- Commission appropriate and accessible services from community pharmacy where the PNA has identified areas for future investment or development or areas where decommissioning is required.

# Process For PNA

- Steering Group
- Current provision information gathering
- Other relevant information gathering – geography, demography and health statistics
- Pharmacy questionnaire
- Patient questionnaire
- **60 day public consultation 15th Feb - 16th April**
- Final Publication

# Consultation

- Response from Sandwell LPC - mainly happy but wanted a few statements strengthened and further info added on new housing
- 42 consultation responses, mainly from general public
- Majority happy with no. pharmacies providing services
- Individual comments were discussed at SG meeting
  - many people unaware of services offered in a community pharmacy
- Update to Minor Ailment Scheme as being commissioned by Sandwell and West Birmingham CCG from 1st June
- Change to Emergency Hormonal Contraception data as new provider/new data
- Formatting and couple typos corrected
  
- PNA is live but hidden on CH website, will be published by HWB after sign off in June



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# In Conclusion

We conclude that there are sufficient Pharmacies in Sandwell to provide essential pharmaceutical services to the residents. No gaps in geographical provision across the borough have been identified. There are pharmacies open extended hours and within reasonable travel distances for people living in Sandwell.

The assessment made in this PNA concludes that there are no current pharmaceutical needs that cannot be met by existing contractors and that improvements and better access in the future would be best addressed, in the first instance, through working with existing contractors.

## What happens next

- Final PNA published - HWB website
- Supplementary Statements will be produced if there are significant changes to current provision or demographics

Thank you for listening