GENERAL PUBLIC VIEWS OF SPECIFIC MEDICINES RELATED SERVICES PROVIDED BY COMMUNITY PHARMACIES IN KENT

PART A: YOUR USE OF MEDICINES AND PHARMACIES 1. How would you describe your general health at the moment? ☐ Very good ☐ Good □ Fair □ Poor □ Very poor 2. Do you take any prescribed medicines regularly? ☐ Yes, up to 4 ☐ Yes, between 5 and 8 ☐ Yes. more than 8 ☐ No. none 3. On average, how often did you go to a pharmacy for any reason? ☐ Once a week ☐ Once a fortnight ☐ Once a month ☐ Once every 2 months ☐ Once every 3 months ☐ Once in the past 6 months □ Never □ Not sure ☐ Other (specify)..... 4. How often do you do the following things when you go to a pharmacy? **Always Sometimes** Never Have a prescription dispensed Buy medicines (e.g. painkillers, things for hay fever or cold, etc...) Buy dietary supplements (e.g. vitamins, mineral etc...) Buy toiletries or beauty products (e.g. toothpaste, shampoo, make-up, etc...) Get advice about medicines you have bought or had on П a prescription Get advice about minor health problems (e.g. skin problems, upset stomach, viruses, etc...) 5. Are you worried about any problems relating to medicines prescribed for you or anyone you care for? ☐ Yes □ No (If yes, please tell us about them here and then ask them how worried they are) For each: indicate how worried you are eg are you very worried or just a bit worried) 6. If you were to experience any issues relating to your medicines, would you consider going to a pharmacy to get advice? ☐ Yes (If not, can you tell me why not)

(If not specified, ask where they would go)

PART B: PHARMACY SERVICES RELATED TO PRESCRIPTION MEDICINES

7. I am going to describe a number of pharmacy services, please tell me whether you have ever

used each of the following services and whether you would be prepared to do this in the future. (Please answer both parts) Would you be Have vou prepared to do this in ever done future? Have you ever: this? Yes Maybe No been given advice about using medicines which you have just collected □ Yes a) in a private consultation room in the pharmacy □ No □ Yes b) in a quiet area of the pharmacy □ No □ Yes across the pharmacy counter □ No been given advice about using new medicines which you have just collected □ Yes a) in a private consultation room in the pharmacy □ No □ Yes in a quiet area of the pharmacy □ No □ Yes c) across the pharmacy counter □ No had a discussion with a pharmacist about medicines ☐ Yes because you were recently discharged from hospital □ No □ Yes b) because you were taking a particular medicine □ No had a general review of your medicines use with a □ Yes pharmacist in a private consultation room □ No given a pharmacist permission to telephone you to follow up about advice already □ Yes provided □ No ☐ Yes b) share your information with the NHS organisation □ No ☐ Yes share your information with your doctor \square No Would any of the following reasons make you consider using one of the services we have just discussed? Yes No Not sure The pharmacist asked me I wanted to help the pharmacist out I had problems with my medicines I thought that the pharmacist could help me I wanted to know more about my medicines generally I had time Other reason - please tell us here

	n getting advice about my prescribed edicines I would expect that	escribed Would y			Have you
1110	edicines i wodid expect that	Yes	No	May be	experienced this?
the ph medici	armacist helped me to know more about my ines				□ Yes* □ No
•	armacist helped me to understand better how my medicines				□ Yes* □ No
	armacist would encourage me to take my ines as the doctor expects me to				□ Yes* □ No
	narmacist helped me to sort out any problems ny prescription medicines				□ Yes* □ No
I would often	d need to order fewer medicines or do so less				□ Yes* □ No
I got s	ome benefit from talking to the pharmacist				☐ Yes*
experi As a r would	tinue with the following three statements if you hienced any of the above result of the experiences you indicated just not say that:		Yes*		□ No
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a) b) c)	result of the experiences you indicated just in a you say that: my relationship with the pharmacist changed my view of the pharmacist as a health care prochanged my awareness of the pharmacist's knowledge medicines changed to any or all of questions a to c above; explored	ofessional about	rd here]	
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PART C: YOUR PREFERENCES FOR PHARMACIES

11.	On a visit to the pharmacy, what is the lotte the Pharmacist?	ongest tir	ne that you w	ould be happy	to wait to talk t
	☐ No more than 5 minutes☐ No more than 10 minutes		☐ No more than 1☐ More than 1		
12.	On a visit to the pharmacy, what is the lotthe Pharmacist about your medicines?	ongest tir	ne that you w	ould be happy	to talk to
	☐ No more than 5 minutes☐ No more than 15 minutes		☐ No more than 3☐ More than 3☐		
13.	Would you be happy to make an appoint a) the pharmacist did not have time to s □ Yes □ No				
	b) a more detailed discussion or a follow□ Yes □ No	w up was	necessary?		
14.	If you do have to make an appointment thappy to wait for?	o talk to	the Pharmaci	st, how long w	ould you be
	☐ No more than 4 hours ☐ No ☐ No more than 1 week ☐ Lor	more than		□ No m	ore than 4 days
15.	Please tell us what you think about the for pharmacy you would choose to go to, to continuing medicines				
		-	Agree	Disagree	Don't mind / Not sure
I pref	er to use the same pharmacy every time				
I pref	er to use a pharmacy owned by a large com				
	er to use a pharmacy owned by the pharma				
l pref	er to use a pharmacy in a supermarket				
I pref	er to use a pharmacy near to where I live				
I pref	er to use a pharmacy near to where I work				
I pref	er to use a pharmacy near to my doctor's su	rgery			
I nee	d a pharmacy that is open in the evening				
I nee	d a pharmacy that is open on a Saturday				
I nee	d a pharmacy that is open on a Sunday				

16. I want to find out your preferences for the type of pharmacy where you will use pharmacy services. Which of the following factors would you take into consideration when deciding whether to use services about prescription medicines in a pharmacy.

-	Agree	Disagree	Don't mind / Not sure
I prefer to use a pharmacy where I recognise the pharmacist			
I prefer to use a pharmacy where the pharmacist knows who I am			
I prefer to talk to a pharmacist who is the same sex as me			
I prefer to use a pharmacy where the pharmacist appears approachable			
I prefer to talk to a pharmacist who has previously given me time			
I prefer not to interrupt a pharmacist who appears to be busy in the dispensary			
I prefer not to speak to the pharmacist where other people can overhear my conversation			
I prefer to talk to a pharmacist in a private room			
I trust the pharmacist to keep my personal information confidential			
I prefer to use a pharmacy where they have previously been able to meet my needs			
I prefer to use a pharmacy that I believe has a good working relationship with my GP surgery (or other healthcare professional)			
I prefer not to share my reasons for asking to speak with the pharmacist with pharmacy staff			
I prefer to use a pharmacy where the pharmacy staff make it easy for me to speak to the pharmacist			
I prefer to use a pharmacy where pharmacy staff know me			
I trust the pharmacy staff to keep my personal information confidential			
17. Is there anything else that might affect your choice	e of pharma	cy?	
☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Not sure			
If yes, can you specify what			

PART D: YOUR VIEWS ON PROMOTION OF PHARMACY SERVICES

18. Please read the list below of the different ways that you might find out about a pharmacy service. For each of them, please tell us whether or not promoting pharmacy services in that way would encourage you to use them.

		moting services rage you to use	
	Yes	Maybe	No
Advertised on a poster/leaflet in a public place			
Advertised on a leaflet dropped through my door			
Advertised in a local newspaper/local free paper			
Advertised on a local radio station			
Advertised on a local TV channel			
Advertised by sending information to my email			
Advertised on a poster/leaflet in a pharmacy			
Advertised on a poster/leaflet in a doctor surgery			
Included on a healthcare website (e.g. NHS choices)			
Recommended by my family or friends			
Recommended by the pharmacist or pharmacy staff			
Recommended by my doctor or another health professional			
19. Do you have any other comments about promoting	ng pharmacy sei	rvices?	
□ Yes □ No			
Record comments here			

PART E: ABOUT YOU

This part has some questions about you to help us understand how different types of people think.

20	. Are you □ Male	□ Female		
21	. What is your age group ☐ 24 and under ☐ 45-54	p? □ 25-34 □ 55-64	☐ 35-44 ☐ 65 and Over	
	. Which ethnic group be ☐ White ☐ Black or Black British . What is the highest lev	□ Mixed □ Chinese	☐ Asian or A☐ Other	Asian British
	□ None□ Secondary completed□ Bachelor degree□ Still studying (Please to the complete to th		☐ Primary/ Few yea ☐ College/Further e ☐ Higher degree ou in)	
24	. What is your current w ☐ Full-time	orking status? □ Part-time	☐ Retired	☐ Not working
25	 ☐ Higher managerial and (e.g. manager or dire) ☐ Lower managerial and (e.g. nurse, teaching) ☐ Intermediate occupating (e.g. electronic techn) ☐ Small employers and (e.g. shopkeeper, bed.) ☐ Lower supervisory occupating (e.g. care worker, cle) ☐ Semi-routine occupating (e.g. fitness instructory (e.g. fitness instructory (e.g. cleaner, packer, occupation) ☐ Routine occupation (e.g. cleaner, packer, occupation) ☐ Never worked and lor 	d professional occupa ector of a large institution d professionals, scientificion ician, teaching assista own account workers auty salon manager, to cupation and technical eaning supervisor, transion r, receptionist, road by hairdresser, bar staff,	tions on, engineer, doctor, ion ic technician, financia ant, secretary etc) axi/cab driver etc) l occupation sport operative etc) builder, crane driver e	al officer, sport player etc) etc)
26	. Please tell us your full	postcode (we will no	t contact you or pass	your details on to anyone else)
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Thank you very much for taking the time to complete this survey. Your ideas/opinions will be very important in helping to improve the quality of services provided in our pharmacies.

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Community Pharmacists' views and experience of Pharmacy based medicines advisory services such as Medicines Use Reviews (MURs) and the New Medicines Service (NMS)

This questionnaire is divided into 5 sections, which focus on:

- You and the Pharmacy that you are working in today
- Your views on patient perceptions and experiences of pharmacy based medicines advisory services
- Your views and experiences of pharmacy based medicines advisory services
- Patient preferences for pharmacies offering medicines advisory services
- Your views on the promotion of pharmacy based medicines advisory services

Instructions for participants

- All questions relate to the pharmacy you are working in today
- Please answer all sections of the questionnaire
- Please answer the questions by ticking the appropriate box or writing in the space provided. If you do not wish to answer a particular question, please leave it blank and continue to the next question.
- Please return your completed questionnaire in the freepost envelope provided.

All the information that you provide on the questionnaire **will remain anonymous.** A code number has been included on your questionnaire only so that we can follow up pharmacists who do not return their questionnaire.

Thank you for your help

This number	will only be use	Question d to follow-up n	naire Number on-responders





Section 1: About you and the Pharmacy that you are working in today

About You:

1. What is your year of 19 _ _ 2. Are you? Male Female П birth? 3. In which year did you register as a Pharmacist in Great Britain? 4. What is your role in the Pharmacy? Manager/Sole Pharmacist Additional Pharmacist Locum Superintendent 5. Do you hold any postgraduate qualifications or special professional Yes No interests? If yes please describe: **About the Pharmacy:** 6. Indicate which of the following represents the size of the organisation that owns the pharmacy? (Please tick the box which most closely represents your pharmacy) Independent/sole ownership Medium chain (11-30 pharmacies) Large multiple (31 or more Small chain (2-10 pharmacies) pharmacies) 7. Where is the Pharmacy located? (Please tick the box which most closely represents your pharmacy) High Street (town/ surburban) Supermarket Shopping centre (precinct in town) Rural/ Village Shopping Centre (out of town) Attached to GP surgery Other (please state) 8. Is your pharmacy open? (please tick all that apply) In the evening (after 6pm) All day Saturday П Saturday half-day On Sundays

9. Would you describe your average prescription volume	as	
Low (< 2500 items per month)		
Average (2500-5000 items per month)		
High (>5000 items per month)		
10. For Medicine Use Reviews (MURs)		
If this information isn't readily available, please	leave blank and proceed to the ne	ext question.
In the last month, approximately how many MURs (includin MURs) were undertaken in your pharmacy?	g targeted	
How many of these were targeted MURs?		
Thinking of last month's targeted MURs approximately how were they divided? For example if your targeted MURs were equally	Respiratory diseases	%
distributed between the 3 categories please write 33% in each box.	Recent discharge from hospital	%
	High risk medicines (NSAIDs, anticoagulants, antiplatelets, o	diuretics) %
On average how long does an MUR consultation take?	n	ninutes
11. For the New Medicine Service (NMS)		
In the last month, approximately how many patients were \underline{r} your pharmacy?	ecruited for NMS in	
In the last month, approximately how many NMS reviews w your pharmacy?	rere completed in	
On average how long do NMS consultations take?		
a) NMS recruitment consultation		minutes
b) NMS recruitment consultation		minutes
c) NMS recruitment consultation		minutes

Section 2: YOUR VIEWS on PATIENT perceptions and experiences of pharmacy based medicines advisory services

do you think are awar	e of tl	he MUR	service?		
		Less t	than half		
		Very	few		
tient agrees to have an	MUR	do they	know what t	he purpose of thi	is service is?
	No			Not sure	
do you think are awar	e of tl	he NMS s	service?		
		Less th	nan half		
		Very f	ew		
tient agrees to have an	NMS	consulta	tion do they	know what the p	ourpose of this
	No			Not sure	
•			-	Not sure	Disagree
this free service					
to					
o speak to them al	bout	their			
armacist out					
ir medicines					
enefit them in some wa	ау				
about their medicines					
about their medicines g	enera	illy			
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On getting advice about prescrib	ed	How patients could expect to benefit from the consultation			How patients actually benefit from the consultation		
medicines during an MUR or the I		Yes	Maybe	No	Yes	Maybe	No
the advice that patients receive is of value to them	MUR						
value to them	NMS						
patients know more about their	MUR						
medicines	NMS						
patients understand better how to	NALID.						
use their medicines	MUR NMS						
atients are more likely to adhere to	MUR						
their medicines	NMS						
any problems with their prescription	MUR						
medicines can be sorted out	NMS						
patients would stockpile or waste	MUR						
fewer medicines	NMS						
patients would get some benefit	MUR						
talking to the pharmacist	NMS						
m your experience of conducting MUI Do you think that patients want these							
Yes		No			Not sur	е 🔲	
Do you think that patients need these	services	?					
Yes		No			Not sur	е 🔲	
Do you think that patients need a diff	erent ser	vice(s)	to meet their ne	eeds?			
Yes		No			Not sur	е 🗌	
es, please describe what different serv	ices are n	eeded.					

17. We want to find out how you think patients could benefit from an MUR or NMS consultation and from your

Section 3:YOUR VIEWS and EXPERIENCE of pharmacy based medicines advisory services

21. We would also like to know what you think are the **possible benefits to you** of conducting MURs and the NMS and whether you think these benefits are actually achieved through the process

Giving advice on prescribed medicines			the possible rom the consi		I experie	What are the actual bene I experience from the consultation		
patients within the MUR/ NMS consul	ltation	Yes	Maybe	No	Yes	Maybe	No	
improves my relationship with patients	MUR							
	NMS							
helps patients to realise that I am knowledgeable about medicines	MUR							
	NMS							
improves my relationship with GPs	MUR							
	NMS							
gives me professional satisfaction	MUR	П	П	П	П	П	П	
	NMS							
								
has positively changed patients' views on my role within the	MUR							
healthcare team	NMS							
	1	T			T			
provides support to improve patient adherence which is valued by GPs	MUR							
	NMS							
The state of the s	1	<u> </u>			<u> </u>			
my consultation skills have improved through providing this service	MUR							
	NMS							
Tools and the state of the stat	ı	I			I			
enhances my professional reputation (as long as I provide a high quality	MUR							
service)	NMS							
Dationto having to the	1	<u> </u>			T			
Patients having to sign a consent form confirming that they have	MUR							
received the service devalues the professional status of pharmacy	NMS							

Section 4: PATIENT PREFERENCES for PHARMACIES offering medicines advisory services

The following questions ask what you think patient preferences are for pharmacies offering medicines advisory services such as MURs and the NMS.

22. What is the longest time that yo	u think that a patient would	be happy to w	vait to talk to the Pl	narmacist?
☐ No more than 5 minutes☐ No more than 10 minutes		ore than 15 mi than 15 minut		
23. Do you think that patients are hor a follow up was necessary or				
□ Yes □ No				
24. How long do you think that a parmedicines?	tient is happy to <u>wait for an</u>	appointment t	o talk to the Pharm	nacist about their
☐ No more than 4 hours☐ No more than 1 day	☐ No more than 4 days☐ No more than 1 week		ger than 1 week	
25. What is the longest time that yo	u think that a patient is hap	by to <u>talk to th</u>	<u>e Pharmacist</u> abou	t their medicines?
☐ No more than 5 minutes☐ No more than 15 minutes		ore than 30 mi than 30 minut		
26. Please tell us which of the follow advice and information from a P	• .		•	to go to get
		Agree	Don't mind / Not sure	Disagree
Patients prefer to use the same phar	macy every time			
Patients prefer to use a pharmacy ov	vned by a large company			
Patients prefer to use a pharmacy ov who works there	vned by the pharmacist			
Patients prefer to use a pharmacy in	a supermarket			
Patients prefer to use a pharmacy ne	ear to where they live			
Patients prefer to use a pharmacy ne	ear to where they work			
Patients prefer to use a pharmacy ne surgery	ear to their doctor's			
Patients prefer a pharmacy that is o p	oen in the evening			
Patients prefer a pharmacy that is op	oen on a Saturday			
Patients prefer a pharmacy that is or	oen on a Sunday			

27. We would also like to find out which of the following factors you think that patients would take into consideration when deciding whether to use Pharmacy medicines advisory services.					
	Agree	Don't mind / Not sure	Disagree		
Patients prefer to use a pharmacy where they know the pharmacist					
Patients prefer to use a pharmacy where the pharmacist knows who they are					
Patients prefer to talk to a pharmacist who is the same sex as them					
Patients prefer to use a pharmacy where the pharmacist appears approachable					
Patients prefer to talk to a pharmacist who has previously given them time					
Patients prefer not to interrupt a pharmacist who appears to be busy in the dispensary					
Patients prefer not to speak to the pharmacist where other people can overhear their conversation					
Patients prefer to talk to a pharmacist in a private room					
Patients know that they can trust the pharmacist to keep their personal information confidential					
Patients prefer to use a pharmacy where their needs have previously been met					
Patients prefer to use a pharmacy that they believe has a good working relationship with their GP surgery (or other healthcare professional)					
Patients prefer not to share their reasons for asking to speak with the pharmacist with pharmacy staff					
Patients prefer to use a pharmacy where the pharmacy staff make it easy for them to speak to the pharmacist					
Patients prefer to use a pharmacy where the pharmacy staff know them					
Patients trust the pharmacy staff to keep their personal information confidential					
28. Is there anything else that you think might affect a patient's c services?	hoice of phai	macy for medicines	s advisory		
□ Yes □ No					
If yes, can you specify what					

Section 5: YOUR VIEWS on the PROMOTION of pharmacy based medicines advisory services

29. Please read the list be	elow of ti	ne airrerent	ways that	medicines	advisory services co	ouia be pro	omotea.	
					Would promoting services in this way encourage patients to use them?			
					Yes	Maybe	N	lo
Advertised on a poster/leaflet in a public place								
Advertised on a leaflet dropped through their door								
Advertised in a local newspaper/local free paper								
Advertised on a local radio station								
Advertised on a local TV channel								
Advertised by sending information to their email								
Advertised on a poster/leaflet in a pharmacy								
Advertised on a poster/leaflet in a doctor surgery								
Included on a healthcare website (e.g. NHS choices)								
Recommended by their family or friends								
Recommended by the pharmacist or pharmacy staff								
Recommended by their doctor or another health profess				sional				
30. Please read the list be advisory services.	elow and	decide whe	ther you t	hink they a	re responsible for p	romoting	medicines	
	Yes	Maybe	No			Yes	Maybe	No
The Local NHS					l Pharmacy ntatives e.g. PSNC			
The NHS nationally				The pha e.g. PSN	rmacy profession			
The Government				Individu	ial GPs			
Individual pharmacists				The Me	dical Profession			
Local Pharmacy representatives e.g. LPC				Other (p	olease specify)			

31. Do you have any other comments about promoting pharmacy services?						
□Yes	□ No					
If yes, please re	cord your comments here					
	any general comments on how pharmacists could best meet the medicines advisory needs of asse write your comments here.					

Many thanks!

Please return your completed questionnaire in the pre-paid envelope provided.