

Dear Colleague

## PHARMACEUTICAL SERVICES DRUG TARIFF PT 7 DISCOUNT CLAWBACK

### Summary

1. This Circular advises of the Drug Tariff pt 7 clawback rate for the 3 dispensing months April – June 2016.

### Background

2. NHS Circular PCA (P) (2015) (21) advised that the Drug Tariff in respect of the Pt. 7 discount clawback rate for dispensing months October – December 2015 would be **3.5%**. Due to ongoing validation of the Quarterly Discount Survey results, the Pt. 7 discount clawback for the dispensing months January – March 2016 was rolled forward at **3.5%**.

### Details

3. The community pharmacy funding settlement for 2016-17 has now been agreed and the first element of this to be implemented is the Pt. 7 discount clawback rate for the dispensing months April – June 2016 being reset to **3%**. Full details of the settlement will be issued in the near future.
4. The rate of clawback will remain in place for the dispensing months April – June 2016 after which the rate will be reviewed to equalise the recovery of sums remaining due from contractors to Health Boards under the 2014-15 and 2015-16 Margin Sharing Arrangements.

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#### Addresses

##### For action

Chief Executives, NHS Boards

##### For information

NHS Directors of Pharmacy

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5. Community Pharmacy Scotland has been consulted on the terms of this circular.

**Action**

6. NHS Boards are asked to share a copy of this circular with all Community Pharmacy Contractors, Health and Social Care Partnerships and the Area Pharmaceutical Board.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Rose Marie Parr". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

**Rose Marie Parr**  
Chief Pharmaceutical Officer/  
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