



Dear Colleague

**COMMUNITY PHARMACY REMUNERATION 2007-8:
PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE-TIER 2
SUPPLEMENTARY PAYMENT**

Purpose

1. This Circular advises NHS Boards and community pharmacy contractors of a supplementary payment to be made in respect of an extension to PHS arrangements for 2007-08.

Background

2. Circular [PCA\(P\)\(2007\)10](#) prescribed remuneration arrangements for community pharmacy contractors providing pharmaceutical services for the period 1 April 2007- 31 March 2008. [Circular PCA\(P\)\(2007\)16](#) made public supplementary arrangements for the introduction of Tier 2 of the Public Health Service.
3. Tier 2 payments commenced in July 2007 and were set on the basis of 4 campaigns per 12 month period.
4. Three campaigns have already been run and as a fourth campaign is now being run starting in February 2008, it has been agreed that PHS payments for 2007-2008 will be reset as if PHS had been in place for a full year.

Payment details

5. All contractors on the list in accordance with the conditions at paragraphs 38 and 40 of the Appendix to [Circular PCA\(P\)\(2007\)10](#) will be eligible for a one off supplementary payment of £942.89. This payment will be made with payments for February dispensings due April.

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6. The Drug Tariff is hereby amended to give effect to the terms of this Circular.

Action

7. NHS Boards are to copy this Circular to Community Pharmacy Contractors on their Pharmaceutical list.

Yours sincerely

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