

Retrospective Prescribing

Community pharmacies or Dispensing Appliance Contractors (DAC) must wait until they have received a prescription before supplying the medication or product to the patient. An exception to this is when the **prescriber** has requested an emergency supply of the medication or product. In these instances, the prescriber must agree to send a prescription to the community pharmacy or DAC within 72 hours of making the request.

If the community pharmacy or DAC supplies medications or products without a valid prescription or a request for an emergency supply from a prescriber, this is done at their own risk. Requests for retrospective prescriptions will not be supported.

Information for patients about how to obtain an emergency supply of their medication can be found on the Nottinghamshire ICB website:

[Emergency supply of medication - NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire ICB](#)

NHS (Pharmaceutical Services) Regulations 2013 [The Human Medicines Regulations 2013](#)
[\(legislation.gov.uk\)](#)