

# Draft Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment Public Consultation

This consultation provides an opportunity to help shape pharmaceutical services in Aneurin Bevan University Health Board and make sure that they are meeting the needs of local people.

The NHS (Pharmaceutical Services) (Wales) Regulations 2020 came into force on 1st October 2020 and included a requirement for Health Boards to produce a Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment by the 1st October 2021.

As a result of these regulations, the Health Board has drafted its first Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment to assess whether pharmacy/dispensing services provided within its area meet the pharmaceutical needs of the population and to help the Health Board to manage and make decisions on requests for new pharmacies or GPs that wish to provide a dispensing service, relocation of existing pharmacies and the range of services needed.

The Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment is subject to a 60-day statutory consultation period, which will run from 1st June 2021 to 31st July 2021.

The feedback from the consultation will be used to finalise the Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment which will be published on the 1st October 2021. The Health Board is required to publish a Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment every five years or sooner if needs change to a significant extent.

## How to Respond

Please give us your views on the Health Board draft Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment by:

- either reading the full draft Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment or Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment Summary Document or the Easy Read version;
- and by completing the consultation questionnaire by the 31st July 2021.

Draft PNA: <https://abuhb.nhs.wales/files/key-documents/aneurin-bevan-university-health-board-pharmaceutical-needs-assessment/>

Summary PNA Document: <https://abuhb.nhs.wales/files/key-documents/aneurin-bevan-university-health-board-pharmaceutical-needs-summary-document/>

PNA Easy Read: <https://abuhb.nhs.wales/files/key-documents/pharmaceutical-needs-easy-read-document/>

PNA Questionnaire: <https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/182533/>

