



Llywodraeth Cymru
Welsh Government

To:

Pharmacy Contractors

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Local Health Boards
NHS Wales Shared Services Partnership

Date: 21 October 2011

Dear Pharmacy Contractor,

SPECIALS

Welsh Government and Community Pharmacy Wales have agreed to a number of changes to the remuneration and reimbursement arrangements for dispensing 'specials'. The changes will have effect from November 1, 2011 and are as follows:

- A new tariff for frequently prescribed specials will be included in the Drug Tariff (Part VIII B). All prescriptions for specials included in Part VIII B will be reimbursed at the price stated in the tariff.
- New arrangements for claiming out of pocket expenses incurred in sourcing specials

Further details of the changes are contained in the enclosed document *new arrangements for reimbursing specials - Q&A*.

If you have any queries regarding these changes please contact the NHS Wales Shared Services Partnership Prescribing Services helpdesk.

Yours sincerely

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