

Queensland Community Pharmacy Pilots – Newsletter # 14

Dear colleagues,

Welcome to your regular update on the Queensland Community Pharmacy Pilots. This edition includes information about, recency of practice and continuing professional development, the Clinical Information System training environment, and draft consultations.

Recency of practice for prescribing activities.

As part of pilot quality and safety activities, the Pilot Coordination Team are in active contact with pharmacists who are authorised to participate in one or both pilots but have not yet commenced delivering pilot services.

Pharmacists who are authorised to participate in the Pilots are responsible for ensuring they maintain recency of practice for prescribing activities. This includes ensuring that appropriate continuing professional development activities occur, including ongoing targeted development activities to maintain recency of knowledge and skills.

To support pharmacists to understand the Departments requirements around retaining recency of practice for prescribing activities, an [Explanatory Guide](#) been developed to outline the requirements. This document includes a development plan template, and a register for participating pharmacists to record professional development activities they have planned or have completed.

Pharmacists who have been contacted to provide evidence of their professional development plan should use the template provided as part of the Explanatory Guide to provide the requested information via email QLD-PharmacyScopePilot@health.qld.gov.au.

Continued service delivery

In addition to contacting pharmacists who have not yet commenced delivering pilot services, the Pilot Coordination Team will also be reaching out to pharmacists who have not delivered any pilot services within the last 30 days. The purpose of this contact will be to understand any ongoing barriers to delivering pilot services and to inform reporting regarding recency of practice for prescribing activities to the Pilot Quality and Safety Subcommittee.

Clinical Information System training environment

MedAdvisor provide a **training environment** which allows pharmacists to interact with, and develop familiarity with the pilot Clinical Information System, outside of the live environment.

The training environment must be used for any testing or trialling of functionality within the Clinical Information System. Test consultation records **should not** be created in the live Clinical Information System as this impacts pilot quality and safety monitoring and evaluation activities. Please contact MedAdvisor on the details below to gain access to the training environment.

- Email: support@medadvisor.com.au
- Phone: 1300 125 343

Draft consultations

Participating pharmacists are reminded to ensure review and finalisation of all draft consultations they have recorded within the Clinical Information System with **24 hours** to ensure clarity and completeness of the clinical documentation. Draft consultation records also impact on pilot quality and safety monitoring and evaluation activities. Pharmacists should implement a process to review and close out draft consultation records at the end of each day. Please refer to the [Pilot Handbook](#) for further information and guidance.