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Dear Pharmacist

In 2015-16 the GP practices in Nene and Corby Clinical Commissioning Groups will continue to follow one countywide Prescribing Achievement Framework.

Enclosed with this letter is the list of Prescribing Indicators that GPs in Nene and Corby Clinical Commissioning Groups will be working towards this year, for your information. Hopefully this will be of use to you in anticipating, to some extent, any changes in stock levels that may be required and in providing appropriate advice to patients, if required.

The full rationale and evidence base behind the markers can be found on Pathfinder at <http://www.plain.pathfinder-rf.net/nene>
User Name: pharmacists Password: N3n3

Most of the changes will happen slowly, for example diabetes reviews and changes to respiratory inhalers. If there are any therapeutic switches to be implemented rapidly, the Prescribing Adviser in your locality will give you a minimum of 2 weeks' notice of when a practice is switching certain drugs.

All patients are advised of changes either by the prescriber or via a letter but we appreciate any assistance that you can give in reassuring patients about them.

If you have any queries about the scheme please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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