

Controlled Drugs Alert

19 February 2024

Title	Missing blank dental prescriptions
Full details	<p>11 blank prescriptions have gone missing from Peterborough Dental Access Centre, 5 Midgate, Peterborough, PE1 1TN and there is a risk they could be presented at community pharmacies by members of the public attempting to fraudulently obtain medication. Please note that none of the prescriptions have the Peterborough Dental Access Centre address stamp.</p> <p>The numbers of the missing prescriptions are below.</p> <p>Please be vigilant and if one of the prescriptions is presented to you:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do not dispense • Retain the prescription if possible • Make notes of the person presenting the prescription • Save any CCTV • Contact the police • Contact the Medicines Optimisation Team <p>As these are NHS FP10 dental prescriptions there are limits to what can be prescribed and therefore obtained. In line with the Dental Practitioner Formulary, dentists are authorised to prescribe the following controlled drugs: diazepam, dihydrocodeine and temazepam. It is unusual for dentists to prescribe more than a very small quantity (1 or 2 tablets) of these drugs.</p>
Prescription serial numbers (final digit omitted)	6259594097 6259594098 6259594143 6259594144 6259594044 6259594045 6259594046 6259594047 6259594048 6259594049 6259594050
Nature of prescriptions	Blank yellow dental prescriptions

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Date of alleged incidents	Between 22 January 2024 and 31 January 2024		
Expected actions	1	Do not dispense (retain prescription, if possible, without putting staff at risk)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	2	Make notes of person description presenting prescription – save any CCTV	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	3	Notify police on 101, if not urgent, or 999 if there is an immediate threat from person	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	4	Inform the Medicines Optimisation Team, Integrated Care Board via cpicb.prescribingpartnership@nhs.net	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	5	If Controlled Drugs (CDs) are involved (any schedule) report the incident at http://www.cdreporting.co.uk	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Time frame	This alert is valid for 3 months from date of publication.		
Warning	<p>This information is not to be disclosed to or displayed in view of members of the public. It is for the information of staff providing NHS health care services only.</p> <p>Do not share this alert without permission of the Medicines Optimisation Team, Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Integrated Care Board who can be contacted via cpicb.prescribingpartnership@nhs.net.</p>		

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