

PHARMACY FIRST: ACUTE SINUSITIS - GATEWAY FOCUS

Just a reminder the gateway thresholds have changed (Oct '25) and there are now significantly more eligible patients self presenting at the counter

NO LONGER NEEDS PATIENTS TO HAVE SYMPTOMS FOR TEN DAYS



**Nasal blockage OR
nasal discharge**



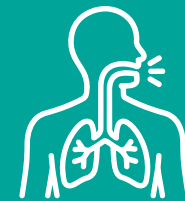
*At least **ONE** of:*



Facial pain / pressure
/ headache



Loss of smell



Cough

**Eligible Age:
12 years +**

**What This
Means For You**

Assess
Earlier



Don't delay
consultation



Document gateway
symptoms clearly



Provide self-care
advice & safety
netting

Most acute sinusitis resolves within 2-3 weeks