

NHS Urgent Medicine Supply Advanced Service (NUMSAS) pilot scheme

19. In England, from 1 December 2016, the following fees will be paid for the provision of the NHS Urgent Medicine Supply Advanced Service pilot scheme regardless of whether a medicine/appliance was supplied:
- (i) a consultation fee of £10.00 in respect of each referral received by the pharmacy contractor via the NHS 111 Service as part of the advanced service being piloted. Other referrals via NHS 111, and requests by patients for emergency supplies that are not part of the pilot scheme, do not attract this payment, and
 - (ii) an administration fee of £2.50, which reflects the work/documentation required to evaluate the pilot scheme.
20. The following fee will be paid where a medicine/s and/or appliance/s were supplied:
- (i) a supply fee of £1.50 will be paid for the first item where a medicine or appliance has been supplied, and
 - (ii) an additional £0.50 will be paid for each additional item supplied.
- However, no supply fees are payable where a pharmacy contractor receives a referral from NHS 111 and subsequently meets the patient's request for the urgent medicine or appliance by downloading and dispensing an existing Electronic Prescription Service (EPS) prescription. Instead, the pharmacy should submit for payment the EPS prescription in the normal way.
21. Pharmacy contractors will be reimbursed* the cost of the supplied medicine/appliance in accordance with Part II, Clause 8 (Basic Price) of the Drug Tariff. An allowance at the applicable VAT rate will also be paid.
22. The fees will be payable only to contractors, who have registered for the pilot scheme and meet the requirements of the service. The registration form is available at www.nhsbsa.nhs.uk/UMS. The service requirements are set out in directions 7C and 7D of the principle Directions and the NHS England service specification. As part of the registration process the NHS BSA will contact the pharmacy and advise them of the submission process, and the process will be set out in the NUMSAS toolkit.
23. To claim payment for this service, the pharmacy contractor must complete the NHS Urgent Medicines Supply Advanced Service Pilot claim form, and submit it to the NHS BSA, along with the completed FP10DT EPS dispensing tokens**, not later than the 5th day of the month following that in which the urgent supply was made. Payments to contractors will be made monthly as part of their normal payment schedule. As of January 2018, submission of the claim forms and tokens has been amended to allow pharmacy contractors to include them in a clearly marked envelope along with their normal monthly submission to the NHSBSA. Contractors should refer to the toolkit for specific information on how to submit claims.

* Apart from reimbursing contractors for the cost of the drug or appliance supplied, no other related payments to reimbursement will apply to this service.

** FP10DT EPS dispensing tokens must always be submitted even if a drug or appliance was not supplied to be able to claim for fees outlined in 19(i) and 19(ii), for example where a pharmacy is out of stock of an item and is able to refer a patient to another pharmacy providing the service, which has the item in stock and is able to accept the onward referral.