

**Consultation on draft scope – deadline for comments by 5pm on 7<sup>th</sup> May 2021**

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1	General		<p>We welcome the update and in particular the amalgamation of the several existing guidelines that are already in place to support weight management support and services.</p> <p>Bringing together these guidelines into one document will benefit clinicians, allowing them more time to engage with their patients, rather than searching through various documents.</p>
2	6	Table 1	<p>The recommendations included in the proposed outline for the guideline in table 1 are sensible.</p> <p>We have reviewed and considered the proposals relating to the two areas that will be of particular relevance to our pharmacist membership; 'pharmacological interventions' (1.8) and 'continued prescribing and withdrawal' (1.9). In both cases NICE plans to "retain recommendations from the existing guideline". Having reviewed the recommendations from the existing guideline, we are satisfied that they are appropriate, therefore we support the proposal to retain the recommendations in their current form.</p>
3	General	1	<p>One important point that is not covered in the proposed scope is the potential for health professionals to offer opportunistic weight management advice when engaging with patients on different issues.</p> <p>Pharmacists across all settings are well placed to do this. An additional section on providing effective opportunistic weight management advice and how to go about doing so in a respectful and sensitive manner would strengthen the proposed guideline.</p>

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4	General	1	<p>Community pharmacy teams are ideally placed to provide weight management services due to their access, location and informal environment. This is <a href="#">evidenced by a systematic review</a> for community pharmacy-delivered interventions for public health priorities including weight management published in the BMJ. The review concluded that community pharmacy is a feasible option for weight management interventions and that given the potential reach, effectiveness and associated costs of these interventions; commissioners should consider using community pharmacies to help deliver such services.</p> <p>Examples of this service that have been commissioned locally are available on the PSNC online services database found <a href="#">here</a>.</p>
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