FAQs

Is the service confidential?

Everything you say to the pharmacist is confidential.

Will I need an appointment to see the pharmacist?

One of the great things about this scheme is that you do not need an appointment to see the pharmacist. You can just pop in when you need to.

Can I go to any pharmacy?

Not all pharmacists provide this service at present. This service is currently available at Ormsgill, Barrow and Millom Community Pharmacies.

*Will I have to pay for my advice and treatment?

If you do NOT normally pay a prescription charge, pharmacists will be able to provide you with advice and/or medicines for minor conditions FREE of charge



Feedback

If for any reason you are not satisfied with the treatment or service you have received from this scheme; or if you have any comments, complaints or feedback for this service, please let us know by informing the pharmacy involved.

Health advice

For health advice or information concerning your medication please contact your local community pharmacy, GP surgery or visit NHS Choices website www.nhs.uk.

for more information...

To find out more about the Minor Ailments Scheme, talk to your pharmacist or the receptionist at your GP surgery today.

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How does the scheme work?

All you need to do is register once with this scheme with participating community pharmacy.

What will the pharmacist ask?

The pharmacist will ask you about your symptoms in order to give you the right advice. You will be asked about any other medication you might be taking.

The pharmacist will also tell you the best way to take your medicine and other ways to manage your ailments.

The minor ailments scheme covers a range of short term treatments (see list right). The pharmacist may need to send you back to your GP if more treatment is necessary or if they feel you have a condition that is not covered by the scheme.

If appropriate, the pharmacist will supply you with medicine to treat your symptoms.



What treatments does the scheme cover?

Digestive disorders

Indigestion
Heartburn
Infant Colic - Counselling only
Constipation
Diarrhoea
Haemorrhoids

In Pregnancy

Heartburn
Constipation
Haemorrhoids
Coughs and Colds
Headache and Backache
Hay Fever
Head Lice

With counselling available where over the counter treatments are not available

Pain and Inflamation

Mouth Problems

Oral Fungal Infection

Mouth Ulceration/Inflammation
Infant Colic - Counselling only
Teething
Oral Thrush

Eyes

Hay Fever - Eye symptoms Bacterial Conjunctivitis Dry Eyes

Infections

Vaginal Thrush Fungal skin
Infection Cold Sores
Warts or Verruccas
Threadworm
Head Lice
Scabies
Crab Lice
Cystitis/Urinary Infections
Athletes foot

Skin Allergy/Itch

Hay Fever
Acne
Eczema
Allergy/Itch
Nappy Rash
Scalp Disorders
Bites and Stings

Ear Wax

Nasal/Cough congestion

Hay Fever
Cough
Cold
Flu
Sore Throat

Children

Pain Fever Earache Coughs, colds and snuffles