

To All Community Pharmacists
Registered PCD1 Prescribers

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Dear Colleague

Private Prescriptions for Schedule 1, 2 and 3 Controlled Drugs

You will be aware that all private prescriptions for Schedule 2 and 3 CDs for human use, and for presentation at a community pharmacy, must be written on a standard private prescription form, PCD1. PCD1 forms currently refer to use for Schedule 2 and 3 CDs only.

Under Misuse of Drugs legislation the prescribing/supply/possession of Schedule 1 preparations can only be done under licence and a general licence is in place in this respect for Sativex[®]. Therefore private prescriptions for Sativex[®] should also only be written on the standard PCD1 form.

New stocks of PCD1 forms containing reference to Schedule 1 CDs will be printed once current stocks of PCD1 forms are exhausted if necessary.

If you have any queries in relation to this, please contact your Medicines Management Adviser.

Yours sincerely,



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