

## To all GP Practices in East Lancashire CCG

### Memo – Covid 19 Repeat Prescription Duration

#### Prescriptions:

Practices **should not change** their repeat prescription durations or support patients trying to stockpile: these actions may put a strain on the supply chain and exacerbate any potential shortages.

Practices should consider putting all suitable patients on electronic repeat dispensing as soon as possible. The whole repeatable prescription can be valid for a year but each repeat should be for no longer than the patient has now. For example, if the patient has prescriptions for a month's supply now then the repeat dispensing should be set up as 13 x 28 days' supply.

Ref: The above guidance is contained in [Dr Nikki Kanani's letter to general practices](#):

<https://psnc.org.uk/the-healthcare-landscape/covid19/>