

Community Pharmacy in BaNES

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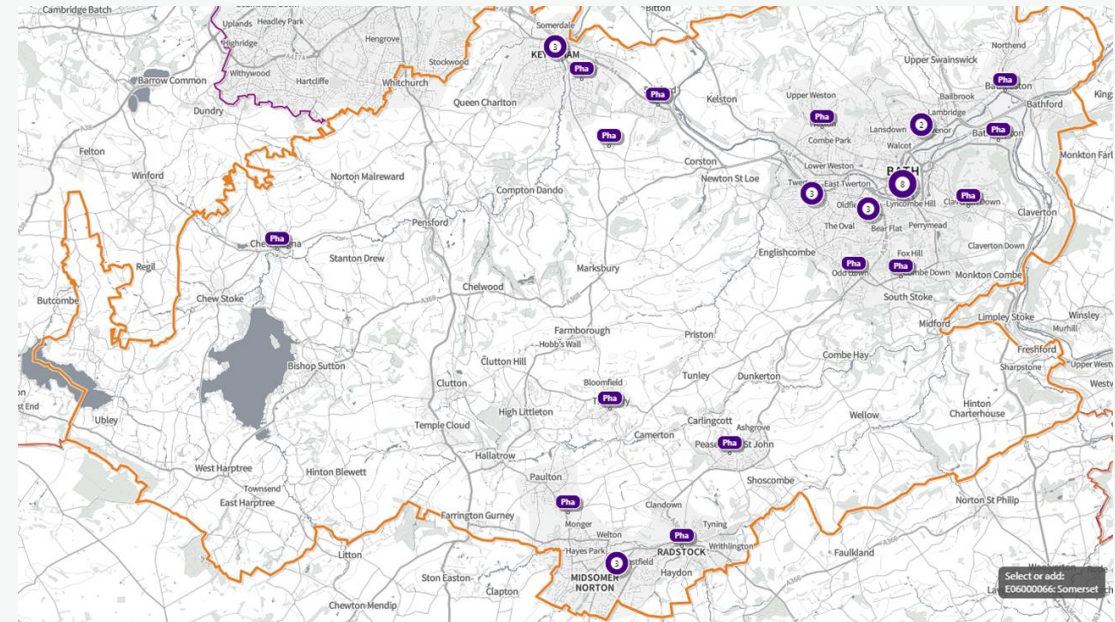
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Pharmacy challenges in BaNES:

- Workforce: high vacancy rates for both pharmacists and pharmacy technicians
- Understanding the impact of changes to the provider landscape (consolidations & closures)
- Continued national contract negotiation
- CP Estate & Digital Integration
- Core20+5 Priorities



Community Pharmacy Priorities

Increase utilisation of Pharmacy First

- A new service from Jan 24 for 7 minor ailments
- Can create capacity for 70-90,000 GP and Urgent Care appointments across BSW
- Pilot pharmacist independent prescribing services (minor illness) in five BSW pharmacies (1 in BaNES)

Prevention and Health Inequalities

- Community Pharmacy prescribing clinics – Hypertension
- Reduce HI in access to:
 - Oral contraception
 - Blood pressure checks
 - Stop smoking services

Partnerships & Sustainable Workforce

- BSW collaboration with Schools of Pharmacy (Bath and Reading)
- 140-250 trainees and undergraduates per year from October 2024 providing:
 - Health checks & Screening services
 - Blood pressure checks
 - Vaccination
 - Public health support

Plus:

- Growing prescribing pharmacist specialist capacity to manage long-term conditions medicines reviews from primary care such as Diabetes and CVD
- Strategic workforce planning to enable whole system Pharmacy engagement e.g. GP/Community/Acute split roles
- Enabling community research engagement and access to clinical trials
- Development of new Quality Assurance metrics