### General Pharmaceutical Council

## Registered pharmacy inspection report

# Pharmacy name: Allied Pharmacy Fratton Road

Address: 94-98 Fratton Road, PORTSMOUTH, Hampshire, PO1 5BZ

Pharmacy reference: 1031794

Type of pharmacy: Community

Date of inspection: 11/11/2025

### Pharmacy context and inspection background

This is a large pharmacy, opposite a shopping centre on the main road which runs through Fratton, a residential area near Portsmouth city centre. It dispenses people's prescriptions, sells over-the-counter medicines and offers healthcare advice. It provides services to people who use drugs. The pharmacy also supplies some medicines in multi-compartment compliance packs for people who might otherwise struggle to manage their medicines.

This was a full routine inspection of the pharmacy. The pharmacy was last inspected in December 2016.

Overall outcome: Standards not all met

Required Action: Improvement Action Plan

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#### Standards not met

#### Standard 1.6

• The pharmacy does not maintain adequate records to show how it provides its services safely. Its

private prescription records do not comply with the law, as the majority of those seen do not show who the prescriber was. This makes it much harder to follow up any queries that may arise. Additionally, the pharmacy is not retaining appropriate records when it supplies unlicensed medicines. Other records such as the responsible pharmacist record, emergency supply records, and some page headers in the controlled drugs register, were also incomplete.

### Standards that were met with areas for improvement

#### Standard 1.2

• The pharmacy could do more to monitor and review the safety of its services. Although its team members discuss their mistakes and what changes may need to be made, they don't always keep a record of them. This makes it harder for them to show what they have learned and how they prevent the same things happening again.

#### Standard 1.7

The pharmacy could do more to protect the confidentiality of people's personal details.
Prescriptions awaiting collection are visible to those waiting at the counter so people may be able to read some of the labels.

## Principle 1: The governance arrangements safeguard the health, safety and wellbeing of patients and the public

**Summary outcome: Standards not all met** 

Table 1: Inspection outcomes for standards under principle 1

Standard	Outcome of individual standard	Area for improvement/ Area of good or excellent practice
1.1 - The risks associated with providing pharmacy services are identified and managed	Met	
1.2 - The safety and quality of pharmacy services are regularly reviewed and monitored	Met	Area for improvement
1.3 - Pharmacy services are provided by staff with clearly defined roles and clear lines of accountability	Met	
1.4 - Feedback and concerns about the pharmacy, services and staff can be raised by individuals and organisations, and these are taken into account and action taken where appropriate	Met	
1.5 - Appropriate indemnity or insurance arrangements are in place for the pharmacy services provided	Met	
1.6 - All necessary records for the safe provision of pharmacy services are kept and maintained	Not met	
1.7 - Information is managed to protect the privacy, dignity and confidentiality of patients and the public who receive pharmacy services	Met	Area for improvement
1.8 - Children and vulnerable adults are safeguarded	Met	

## Principle 2: Staff are empowered and competent to safeguard the health, safety and wellbeing of patients and the public

**Summary outcome: Standards met** 

Table 2: Inspection outcomes for standards under principle 2

Standard	Outcome of individual standard	Area for improvement/ Area of good or excellent practice
2.1 - There are enough staff, suitably qualified and skilled, for the safe and effective provision of the pharmacy services provided	Met	
2.2 - Staff have the appropriate skills, qualifications and competence for their role and the tasks they carry out, or are working under the supervision of another person while they are in training	Met	
2.3 - Staff can comply with their own professional and legal obligations and are empowered to exercise their professional judgement in the best interests of patients and the public	Met	
2.4 - There is a culture of openness, honesty and learning	Met	
2.5 - Staff are empowered to provide feedback and raise concerns about meeting these standards and other aspects of pharmacy services	Met	
2.6 - Incentives or targets do not compromise the health, safety or wellbeing of patients and the public, or the professional judgement of staff	Met	

# Principle 3: The environment and condition of the premises from which pharmacy services are provided, and any associated premises, safeguard the health, safety and wellbeing of patients and the public

**Summary outcome: Standards met** 

Table 3: Inspection outcomes for standards under principle 3

Standard	Outcome of individual standard	Area for improvement/ Area of good or excellent practice
3.1 - Premises are safe, clean, properly maintained and suitable for the pharmacy services provided	Met	
3.2 - Premises protect the privacy, dignity and confidentiality of patients and the public who receive pharmacy services	Met	
3.3 - Premises are maintained to a level of hygiene appropriate to the pharmacy services provided	Met	
3.4 - Premises are secure and safeguarded from unauthorized access	Met	
3.5 - Pharmacy services are provided in an environment that is appropriate for the provision of healthcare	Met	

# Principle 4: The way in which pharmacy services, including management of medicines and medical devices, are delivered safeguards the health, safety and wellbeing of patients and the public

**Summary outcome: Standards met** 

Table 4: Inspection outcomes for standards under principle 4

Standard	Outcome of individual standard	Area for improvement/ Area of good or excellent practice
4.1 - The pharmacy services provided are accessible to patients and the public	Met	
4.2 - Pharmacy services are managed and delivered safely and effectively	Met	
4.3 - Medicines and medical devices are: obtained from a reputable source; safe and fit for purpose; stored securely; safeguarded from unauthorized access; supplied to the patient safely; and disposed of safely and securely	Met	
4.4 - Concerns are raised when medicines or medical devices are not fit for purpose	Met	

# Principle 5: The equipment and facilities used in the provision of pharmacy services safeguard the health, safety and wellbeing of patients and the public

**Summary outcome: Standards met** 

Table 5: Inspection outcomes for standards under principle 5

Standard	Outcome of individual standard	Area for improvement/ Area of good or excellent practice
5.1 - Equipment and facilities needed to provide pharmacy services are readily available	Met	
5.2 - Equipment and facilities are: obtained from a reputable source; safe and fit for purpose; stored securely; safeguarded from unauthorized access; and appropriately maintained	Met	
5.3 - Equipment and facilities are used in a way that protects the privacy and dignity of the patients and the public who receive pharmacy services	Met	

### What do the summary outcomes for each principle mean?

Finding	Meaning
<b>✓</b> Excellent practice	The pharmacy demonstrates innovation in the way it delivers pharmacy services which benefit the health needs of the local community, as well as performing well against the standards.
✓ Good practice	The pharmacy performs well against most of the standards and can demonstrate positive outcomes for patients from the way it delivers pharmacy services.
✓ Standards met	The pharmacy meets all the standards.
Standards not all met	The pharmacy has not met one or more standards.