### General Pharmaceutical Council

### Registered pharmacy inspection report

### **Pharmacy name: Marijak Ltd**

Address: 822 High Road Leyton, Leyton, LONDON, E10 6AE

Pharmacy reference: 1087822

Type of pharmacy: Community

Date of inspection: 12/06/2025

#### Pharmacy context and inspection background

This pharmacy is one of three branches. It is situated in a parade of shops on a main road co-located with a general store. In addition to providing NHS dispensing services, the pharmacy provides the Hypertension Case Finding Service, the Pharmacy First service, the Contraception service, the New Medicines Service and flu vaccinations. It supplies medicines in multi-compartment compliance packs to a number of people to help them take their medicines safely and delivers medicines to some patients.

This was a routine inspection of the pharmacy which focused on the core Standards relating to patient safety. Not all the Standards were inspected on this occasion. The pharmacy was last inspected in August 2016.

Overall outcome: Standards not all met

Required Action: Improvement Action Plan

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#### Standards not met

#### Standard 2.2

• The pharmacy does not ensure that staff involved in the dispensing process do the right training for their role.

#### Standard 4.3

- The pharmacy cannot show that it regularly date checks its stock. The pharmacy has a date-checking matrix but the last entry made was in April 2023 and two out-of-date medicines were found in stock. This could increase the chance of an expired medicine being dispensed.
- The pharmacy cannot demonstrate that it stores medicines requiring cold storage appropriately. Minimum and maximum temperature readings seen during the inspection were outside the required range. And the pharmacy does not record fridge temperatures daily. So, this makes it more difficult for the pharmacy to show that the medicines inside are safe to use.

#### Standards that were met with areas for improvement

#### Standard 1.2

Team members can show what improvements have been made in the pharmacy. But they do not
routinely record or review dispensing mistakes. This could make it harder to review the mistakes
and may mean the staff are missing out on opportunities to learn and make the pharmacy's
services safer.

#### Standard 1.6

• The pharmacy generally keeps the records it needs to by law. But some of its records are incomplete and do not contain the required information. The pharmacy does not always record the date the prescription was written for private prescriptions it dispenses. And it does not always make a record about the prescriber for unlicensed medicines it dispenses.

#### Standard 3.1

• Team members have clear workspace for dispensing. But the pharmacy team could do more to keep the dispensary and consultation room clear of unnecessary clutter.

#### Standard 4.4

• The pharmacy receives and deals with drug alerts and recalls appropriately. But it does not always record the action it has taken, which could make it harder for the pharmacy to demonstrate what it has done.

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

**Summary outcome: Standards 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	Standard not inspected	
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	Met	Area for improvement
1.7 - Information is managed to protect the privacy, dignity and confidentiality of patients and the public who receive pharmacy services	Met	
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 not all 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	Not 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	Standard not inspected	
2.5 - Staff are empowered to provide feedback and raise concerns about meeting these standards and other aspects of pharmacy services	Standard not inspected	
2.6 - Incentives or targets do not compromise the health, safety or wellbeing of patients and the public, or the professional judgement of staff	Standard not inspected	

# 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	Area for improvement
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	Standard not inspected	
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	Standard not inspected	

# 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 not all 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	Not met	
4.4 - Concerns are raised when medicines or medical devices are not fit for purpose	Met	Area for improvement

## 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 not all 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	Standard not inspected	
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	Standard not inspected	

#### 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.