

Registered pharmacy inspection report

Pharmacy name: Goodcure Pharmacy

Address: Unit 25, Doulton Trading Estate, Doulton Road, Rowley Regis, West Midlands, B65 8JQ

Pharmacy reference: 9012589

Type of pharmacy: Internet

Date of inspection: 07/07/2025

Pharmacy context and inspection background

This is a distance-selling pharmacy, which is located on an industrial estate in Rowley Regis. It does not hold an NHS contract and instead provides a range of private services. This includes the sale of over-the-counter medicines through its website www.goodcure.co.uk. The pharmacy also offers private prescribing services using via a pharmacist independent prescriber. This covers conditions including weight loss and erectile dysfunction.

This was the first routine inspection of the pharmacy since it was registered in December 2024.

Overall outcome: Standards not all met

Required Action: Improvement Action Plan

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Standards not met

Standard 1.1

- The pharmacy does not have all of the standard operating procedures that are required by law, for example those covering Responsible Pharmacist regulations. This means that it may not always operate in a safe and efficient way.
- The pharmacy's risk assessments are lacking. It cannot demonstrate that it is effectively managing the risks associated with its services, particularly with regard to the online sale and supply of higher-risk medicines which can be abused and misused, and may put people at risk of harm.

Standard 1.5

- The pharmacy cannot demonstrate that it has appropriate insurance arrangements in place to cover the pharmacy services it provides. This means people may not be sufficiently protected in the event of a serious mistake

Standard 1.6

- The Responsible Pharmacist log does not meet legal requirements as the current format does not enable an audit trail showing the details of any alterations and amendments. So, this means it is not a reliable record showing who was responsible for the safe and effective running of the pharmacy at a set point in time.

Standard 4.2

- The pharmacy cannot demonstrate that the services it provides are delivered safely and effectively. It cannot demonstrate that it makes sufficient checks to ensure that sales of medication are safe. There is evidence of supplies of sedating antihistamine that may not be appropriate. And the pharmacy cannot provide assurance that people are safeguarded from accessing medicines which are known to be liable to abuse and may cause a risk of harm.

Standards that were met with areas for improvement

Standard 4.4

- The pharmacy does not keep a suitable audit trail to demonstrate that it receives and responds appropriately to alerts for the recall of faulty medicines and medical devices.

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	Not met	
1.2 - The safety and quality of pharmacy services are regularly reviewed and monitored	Met	
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	Not 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	
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 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	Not 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	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 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
✓ 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.