

Safe prescribing and withdrawal management of prescribed drugs associated with dependence and withdrawal

Consultation on draft scope – deadline for comments by 5pm on 26th September 2019

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1	4	1	Do we need to signpost to the HIV Liverpool drug interactions website and highlight it as a useful resource re safe prescribing in people living with HIV
2	4	19	What services can patients access themselves to assist with withdrawal of prescribed drugs? Signposting would be important. Would this be part of the information for patients? (section 3.34). I am not aware of any support services that exist for prescribed drug dependence (current services available seem to be for illegal drug use and those patients addicted to prescribed drugs may not identify/engage with services that deal with illegal drug dependence).
3	7	9	It would be most helpful to include the details of specific recommended regimes for each drug to assist with safe withdrawal. I presume this would be included here.
4	General	General	Does the scope need to include something about when to seek more specialist advice? i.e. where would the GP refer the more complex patients? Are there specialists in managing addiction specifically to prescribed drugs?

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