

### Who can I contact for more information?

Discuss any questions you have with your non-medical prescriber either when you see them or call them using the contact details below.

**Non-medical prescriber's name:**

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**Telephone number:** .....



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**Patient Information**

# Non-Medical Prescribing

*This leaflet gives you an overview of Non-Medical Prescribing*

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## What is non-medical prescribing?

Doctors and dentists are called 'medical prescribers'. Non medical prescribing is when other health professionals prescribe medicines. They may be a nurse or a pharmacist and are called 'non-medical prescribers'.

There are many benefits to non-medical prescribing including:

- improving your access to medicines
- helping control your symptoms better
- it may speed up your consultation time and improve your experience

We will ask if you agree to a non-medical prescriber writing your prescriptions. Whatever you decide, we will give you the best treatment and care possible.

## Is it safe?

**Yes.** Non-medical prescribers receive training and are approved by a professional healthcare body.

Non-medical prescribers working in Jersey must also register with the local governing body.

## What can they prescribe for me?

They can only prescribe medicines that are within their specialist area.

For hospice staff this will be medicines used for palliative care, which includes a range of conditions and aims to control your symptoms (e.g. pain, sickness). The rapid response team will prescribe a range of medicines including antibiotics.

## Can I still see a doctor?

**Yes.** The non-medical prescriber works with your doctor to care for you. If they have any concerns, they will speak to your doctor and can arrange for them to see you.

If you would like to see a doctor, please speak to your non-medical prescriber or another member of the team. They can arrange this as soon as possible.

## What else should I know?

Any decision you make with your non-medical prescriber should be a shared agreement. You should always feel free to ask any questions you may have.

## What can I do if I am not happy with the decisions?

Discuss any concerns that you have with the non-medical prescriber. An open and honest approach is the only way we can improve the quality of our service.

If you feel unable to do this, you can speak to their manager or your doctor.

You can also ask a member of staff for a feedback form, so that you can raise your concerns or complaints.