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Dear Colleague,

CONTROLLED DRUG DECLARATION AND SELF-ASSESSMENT 2026

This letter is for the attention of, and action by, all registered pharmacies and non-registered Trust pharmacies in relation to the **2026 Declaration and Self-assessment** which arises from The Controlled Drugs (Supervision of Management and Use) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2009 (as amended).

The format will remain as an online questionnaire for the 2026 reporting year and can be found at <https://consultations2.nidirect.gov.uk/doh-1/34a337b3>. The declaration and self-assessment should be completed no later than **31 March 2026**. Details relating to completion of the questionnaire are contained in the link.

Completion by non-registered Trust pharmacies is in anticipation of the next controlled drugs inspection.

Further information about the Regulations can be found on the Department's website at <https://health-ni.gov.uk/articles/accountable-officer>.

If you have any queries, regarding the completion of the questionnaire, please contact mrg_inspectors@health-ni.gov.uk.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A. McKendry'.

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