

Community Pharmacist Program

Eligibility, application process and resources for pharmacists



The Victorian Government is expanding the role of community pharmacists under the Community Pharmacist Program. Chemists are now treating more conditions without the need for a visit to the GP.

The program allows participating pharmacies to treat some health conditions without the patient needing to have a prescription.

Most consultations are free for patients. Medication supplied under the Community Pharmacist Program will be at full price

The Community Pharmacist Program allows Victorians to receive some treatments at a local pharmacy without needing to see a doctor to get a prescription first.

Participating and appropriately trained community pharmacists are able to provide certain Schedule 4 medications under a structured prescribing model for:

- Treatment for shingles
- Treatment for impetigo
- Resupply for treatment of a flare-up of mild plaque psoriasis
- Resupply of select types of hormonal contraception, including some oral contraceptive pills, the vaginal ring and the depot injection without a prescription
- Treatment for uncomplicated urinary tract infections

In addition, participating pharmacist immunisers can provide some [vaccinations for travel](#) and other health vaccines including [hepatitis A](#), [hepatitis B](#), [poliomyelitis](#) and [typhoid](#).

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<https://www.betterhealth.vic.gov.au/chemist-care-now>



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