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**By email:**  
**For the attention of all Community**  
**Pharmacies currently providing the**  
**Pharmacy First Sore Throat Service**

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Dear Colleagues

**PHARMACY FIRST SORE THROAT SERVICE WINTER 24/25:**  
**EXTENSION UNTIL 31<sup>ST</sup> MAY 2025**

I am pleased to announce that funding is now available to extend the pharmacy first sore throat service for a further 2 months. The service which launched on 1<sup>st</sup> December 2024 will now continue until **31<sup>st</sup> May 2025**.

**Promotion of the service**

Pharmacies may wish to continue to promote the service on social media using the Twitter and Instagram resources available at [Sore Throat Service Winter 24/25 - Business Services Organisation \(BSO\) Website](#).

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for providing this valuable service. If you have any queries in relation to this, or any of the Pharmacy First Services, please contact your Pharmacy Adviser.

Yours sincerely,

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

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