

Press Release



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PHARMACY EARLY DAY MOTIONS NPA ENCOURAGES ITS MEMBERS TO PERSUADE THEIR MPS TO SIGN

Three Early Day Motions relating to the Office of Fair Trading's recommendation to abolish the Control of Entry Regulations are currently tabled.

The National Pharmaceutical Association is asking its members to persuade their local MPs, MSPs or AMs to sign up.

John D'Arcy, Chief Executive of the National Pharmaceutical Association says: "If the Health Secretary is prepared to overrule the OFT proposal given a loud enough voice of opposition this is an ideal way to ensure that some of those voices are heard by him directly. In conjunction with the opposition and arguments he is going to hear from the NPA, our members and their customers, the voices are going to be so loud that they can't be ignored!"

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Notes to Editors:

1. The National Pharmaceutical Association (NPA) is the trade association that represents the professional and commercial interests of community pharmacy owners. We have in voluntary membership virtually all pharmacies in the UK – and as such, we are regarded as 'the voice of community pharmacy'.
2. For more information, please contact the NPA Press Office on: 01727 85 86 87, ext. 3340 or 3227.