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Changing Private Prescriptions to a NHS Prescription (FP10) Policy

To comply with current NHS Prescribing Guidelines, changing a private prescription to a NHS prescription is at the discretion of the doctor.

Due to the potential of a serious medication error, handwritten private prescriptions will not be changed to a NHS prescription unless the doctor has received a letter from the patient's consultant giving full details of the medication including the strength, form, dose and indication.

A private prescription can be taken into any pharmacy to obtain the medication, however the pharmacy will charge for the medication.

The patient can contact their consultant's secretary and ask for a letter to be sent or faxed to The Alresford Surgery where it would then be passed on to the doctor to prescribe on a NHS prescription at his or her discretion.

If you have any further questions, please refer to the Practice Manager Sue Lees.

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