

BILLERICAY MEDICAL PRACTICE

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Dear Patient,

You have received this letter as you have requested the practice to change a private prescription to a NHS prescription due to your recent visit to a private facility.

NHS Patients

If you have been seen at a private facility as a NHS patient (e.g. through Choose and Book) the clinician you saw should have issued you with a NHS prescription and not a private prescription.

If you were issued a private prescription you will need to book to see a doctor to issue a NHS prescription.

Private Patients

If you have been seen at a private facility as a private patient the doctors have no responsibility to change the prescription to a NHS prescription

Before any of the doctors at the practice will consider taking clinical responsibility for issuing and monitoring the medication issued to you they will require the following to happen.

- To convert a private prescription to a NHS prescription the doctor will need information about the prescription to enable a decision to be made whether to issue an NHS prescription. This may include written confirmation from the private clinician.
- You will need to book to see a doctor to discuss your medication.

The ultimate decision to issue a NHS prescription is at the discretion of the doctor

If the doctor does not feel able to issue a NHS prescription but you have a private prescription then should you wish to take that medication you can use the private prescription

Please note that if you cannot wait until the next routine appointment is available or until the letter arrives from the private clinician you have the option of dispensing the private prescription at your local pharmacist.

Yours sincerely

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