

National Medicines Governance Policy Work Plan

This document outlines the proposed work plans for the development of national medicines policies, governance principles and associated resources. It is intended only to guide organisations on the documents which the national Medicines Governance Do Once (MGDO) programme intends to produce. Release dates are not indicated as there are many variable factors which will affect the time it will take for each document to reach the point of release.

When a document has been released and is available the details of how it can be accessed (usually via a hyperlink) will be added to the work plan.

There is a prioritisation process undertaken as part of the national MGDO programme for developing national medicines policies, governance principles and associated resources. This prioritisation process includes consideration to scope the need, including national spread and multi-sector nature of the requirement, which is considered by the MGDO Programme Board alongside other priorities.

Part of this prioritisation work involves determining which national medicines policies, governance principles and associated resources are not suitable for national development and the rationale for these decisions. This document outlines areas where documents will not be developed and the rationale for these decisions. The decisions made will be subject to regular review by the MGDO Programme Board as national guidance is revised or developed and this document will be updated regularly to reflect these reviews.

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Medicines Governance – policies, principles and resources

Documents in the national programme:

	Released via SPS website
Medicines Governance in providers of NHS services	
Self-Administration of Medicines – Brief Guidance link	May 2020
Unlicensed Medicines – Principles and examples resource	
Temperature Excursion – Principles and examples resource	
Principles of Checking - Resource	
Medical gases policy	

Documents not currently included within the national programme:

Condition/clinical area	Rationale
Intravenous medicines policy	Not currently a high priority; requires standardisation and input regarding checking
Homely Remedies policy	Being undertaken by RMOC
Medicines policy (overarching)	For development after NHSE policy view of Medicines Governance document