

HEALTHY
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in healthy communities

NHS

Northern, Eastern and Western Devon
Clinical Commissioning Group

Did you know as much as £5.5 million is wasted each year in Devon on unused medicines?

The same amount could pay for approximately:

- 730 heart bypass operations
- or 1,000 hip replacements
- or 2,235 knee replacements
- or 10,720 cataract operations

You can help us use this NHS money in Devon more wisely:

Check

Look at your supplies – order only the items that you need.

Listen

Listen to the advice from your doctor, nurse or pharmacist and take all medicines as instructed on the label.

Tell

Tell your doctor, nurse or pharmacist if your medicines are not agreeing with you or you have stopped taking them.

Tick

Using the counterfoil of the prescription, tick only the medicines you need, and remember “tick in haste – medicines waste.”

Open

Open your bag of medication while at the pharmacy. If you have item(s) not requested, or surplus to your needs for the next month, please return these before leaving.