

Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA)

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What is the PNA?

A Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA) is a comprehensive assessment of the current and future pharmaceutical needs of the local population. Barnsley's H&WB has a legal duty to ensure the production of a PNA every 3 years.

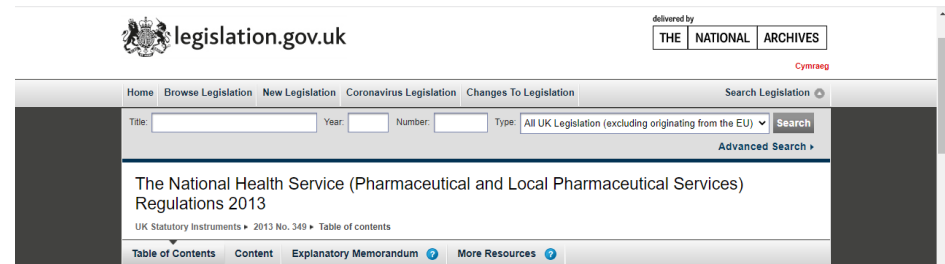
The NHS (Pharmaceutical and Local Pharmaceutical Services) Regulations 2013, require each HWB to:

- Publish its first PNA by 1 April 2015.
- Current PNA (2018-2021)
- April 2021 delayed with revised deadline of October 2022



Pharmaceutical Regulations

- The PNA is a complex process that needs to fully comply with Pharmaceutical Regulations - We will need to fully understand the regulations as failure to produce a legally compliant PNA could result in a legal challenge.
- Capacity in most organisations is a challenge currently and the dedicated time to produce a PNA is enormous - it usually takes a full 12 months from initiation to completion.



The PNA Document

- PNA document will provide a complete picture of the local population and how they differ in terms of their health needs and requirements.
- The document will map all the current pharmaceutical services provided in the borough. (Shape Tool)
- Identifies the current gaps in pharmaceutical services that needs to be filled.
- PNA used to predict the pharmaceutical needs of the population in the future.

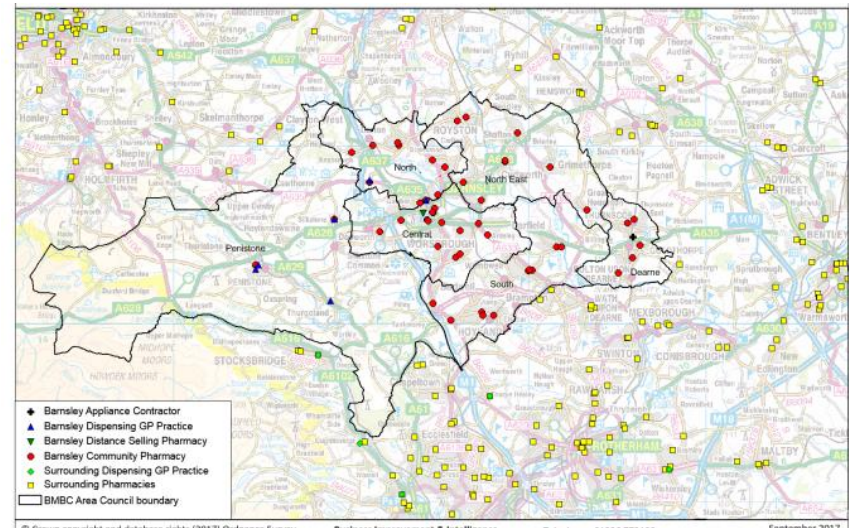
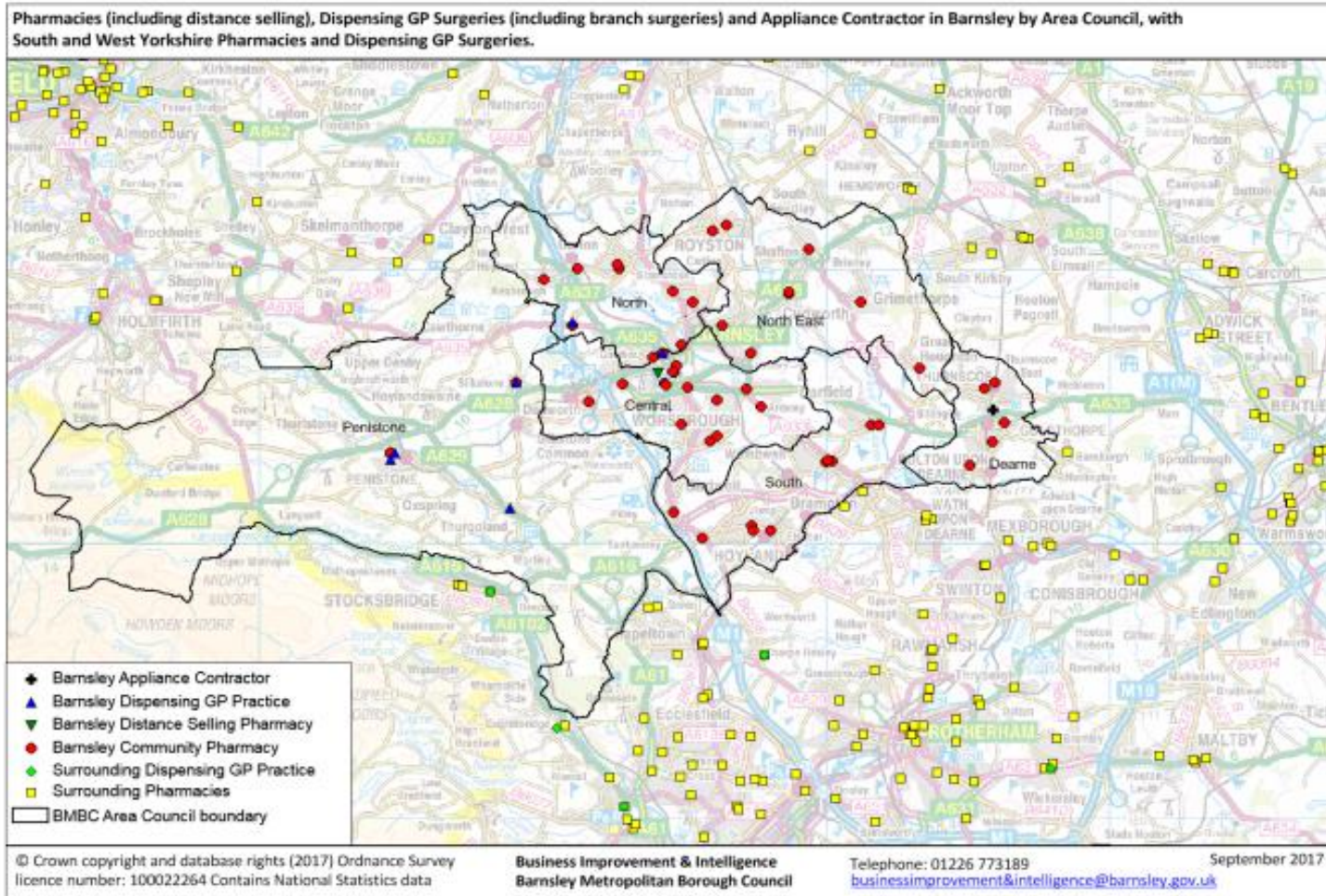


Figure 1. Pharmacies (including distance selling, dispensing general practices and appliance contractor in Barnsley with South Yorkshire pharmacies and dispensing general practices. (Requirement schedule 1:7 NHS and Pharmaceutical Services Regulations 2013) based in data verified at 31 March 2017)



How is it used?

- **The 2022-2025 PNA will present a picture of community pharmacy need and provision in Barnsley. This PNA will be used by NHS England to inform:**
 - decisions regarding which NHS funded services need to be provided by community pharmacies and dispensing appliance contractors in Barnsley
 - whether new pharmacies or services are needed
 - decision-making about the relocation of existing pharmaceutical premises in response to applications by providers of pharmaceutical services
 - the commissioning of locally enhanced services from pharmacies



Next Steps

- The PNA Steering Group will meet at critical points in the delivery of the 2022 PNA to approve actions to date and escalate any issues.
- Statutory Consultation on the report will take place in May and June 2022.
- A 'final draft' version of the PNA will be presented at Health and Wellbeing Board on the 4th of August 2022.
- An electronic sign off from the Board would be required after the August Health and Wellbeing Board meeting.
- The PNA will be published and accessible on the BMBC's external website before the 1st of October 2022.

