

**EPS (Electronic Prescribing Service)** We are now able to offer this service to our patients.

EPS is an NHS service. It gives you the chance to change how we send your prescription to the place you choose to get your medicines or appliances from.

**What does this mean for you?**

If you live more than a mile (as the crow flies) from the nearest pharmacy (Boots in Wool) you can continue to collect your repeat medication from the practice dispensary if you wish.

We are not allowed to dispense medication to any patients who live within a mile radius of a pharmacy. Up until now this has meant that most prescriptions, for these patients, have been sent to the local pharmacy (Boots) on Dorchester Road. Alternatively, the patient has collected the green paper repeat medication from the practice dispensary and taken it to the chemist of their choice.

With **Electronic Prescribing** all patients wherever they live can choose which pharmacy they would like to collect their prescription from and we will send it electronically to that place. You will no longer have to collect green paper prescriptions from the dispensary.

If you wish to use this service you will be asked to nominate a place for us to electronically send your prescription to.

**EPS is reliable, secure and confidential.** Your electronic prescription will be seen by the same people in the practice, pharmacies and NHS prescription payment and fraud agencies that see your paper prescription now.

For more information visit [www.hscic.gov.uk/epspatients](http://www.hscic.gov.uk/epspatients) or talk to our friendly dispensers who will be happy to help.