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Alert Title	Controlled Drugs / lack of street drugs/ CD Security.		
Reason for alert: full details	<p>We have been made aware of the reduction of available illicit CDs as: supply routes have been depleted, and Substance Misuse Services review those on daily supervised consumption, resulting in replacement with less frequent pick-ups.</p> <p>We have also received one report of a burglary at a Community Pharmacy in our region relating to the theft of Methadone.</p> <p>With the restrictions on travel to and from overseas destinations, it is anticipated that over the coming weeks and months the illicit drug supply will start to reduce, and what is available will be adulterated far more than it has been over the last year or so. In turn we are likely to see an increase by those who use illicit substances seeking support from Drug Treatment Services or their GP, more diversion of CD's and an increase in fraudulent prescriptions being presented.</p> <p>Access to Psychoactive Substances may also be reduced or what users believe the chemical to be is something completely different.</p> <p>Due to the potential lack of supply of illicit substance, pharmacies may become a target as an easy supply, please take a few minutes to review the security of your building, that you CCTV is in operation and you automatic lighting and alarms are working correctly. Where you have new customers presenting prescriptions, please ensure they are who they say they are and take a closer look to ensure the prescription has not been altered.</p> <p>Please take this opportunity to urgently review your security of Controlled Drugs including the security of CD Keys, safety of staff and safety of patients for whom you may prescribe controlled drugs for/ sell OTC codeine products to.</p>		
Date of alleged incident(s)	23.03.2020		
Other:			
Are police involved	date:	Crime ref/incident ref	
What action(s) are you requesting of those who receive it – please select	1	do not prescribe	<input type="checkbox"/>
	2	do not dispense (retain Script if possible without putting staff at risk and contact CDAO - email)	<input type="checkbox"/>
	3	make notes of person description presenting script – save any CCTV	<input type="checkbox"/>
	4	contact the registered GP – provide contact details	<input type="checkbox"/>
	5	other – please specify Urgent reminder to review CD safety and security	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
time frame	you should not keep this alert for more than 6 months		
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