## GLP1s / Mounjaro - Letter to private providers requesting information on health records

We have noted requests from private providers asking practices to undertake a review of patient’s notes to check that private providers are safe to prescribe medication (e.g. Wegovy or Mounjaro.)

This, by default, means that the practice takes responsibility for prescribing initiated by other organisations. If a practice fails to respond to these requests, it could be deemed as ‘tacit confirmation’ that the patient has no contraindications to the treatment.

Whilst this falls outside of GMS/PMS essential services, noting the above predicament, LMC's have helpfully penned a suitable template response which you could use in response to these private provider requests.

**Template wording:**

*“Dear xxx*

*Re (Name of patient to be inserted)*

*Thank you for your email/letter of (insert date) asking if the above patient suffers from any contraindication to the medication you propose to prescribe.*

*Unfortunately, the practice is under substantial pressure to provide NHS care and not resourced to respond to requests from private providers. Hence, I suggest that you review their medical records with the patient, which the patient should be able to access online, to enable you to determine if the medication is indeed appropriate for you to prescribe.*

*For the avoidance of doubt, the medicolegal liability for ensuring that there are no contraindications to your prescribing lies entirely with you, and you should not assume that the lack of a positive reply from us means that no contraindications exist.*

*If you would like us to provide you with a formal report, then please send a request including a signed consent form from the patient and we will provide this for a fee.*

*Yours etc”*