

Springfield Surgery
Keeping you informed concerning –
Prescription Charges.

NHS charges from April 2014

NHS prescription charge in England will increase by 20 pence from £7.85 to £8.05 for each quantity of a drug or appliance from 1 April 2014.



It is also intended that the single charge will increase by 20 pence to £8.25 in the following year.

However, for the next two years the cost of a prescription prepayment certificate (PPC) will remain at £29.10 for a 3 month certificate. The cost of the annual certificate will remain at £104.

PPCs offer savings for those needing 4 or more items in 3 months or 13 or more items in one year.

In England, around 90% of prescription items are dispensed free. This includes exemptions from charging for those on low incomes, such as:

- those on specific benefits or through the NHS Low Income Scheme
- those who are age exempt
- those with certain medical conditions

More information is available at [NHS Choices](#)