**Buying an NHS prescription prepayment certificate (PPC)**

Save money by buying a 3 or 12-month prescription prepayment. Buying online is quick and easy.

**What you can buy**

A prescription costs £8.60 per item, but prepayment costs:

• £29.10 for 3 months - card payment

• £104 for 12 months - card or Direct Debit (10-monthly instalments of £10.40)

You can start your prepayment:

• today

• any date in the next month (ready for your next pharmacy visit)

• any date in the past month (if you have a refund form from the pharmacist)

**What you get**

They will post your prescription prepayment certificate to you. Pharmacies ask for this as evidence of prepayment.

If you have to pay a prescription charge while waiting for your evidence, you can get a refund.

You will need to ask pharmacy staff for an NHS refund form (FP57) when you pay for your prescription.

You only get this form at the time you pay. You cannot get one later.

**Need any help?**

Click on this link to go directly through to the NHS pre-payment in my IBD posts /blog - <http://www.drmattwjohnson.com/inflammatory-bowel-disease/cost-ibd-prescriptions/>

If you need any help to complete this online form you can call us on 0300 330 1341.

**How they use your data**

In relation to your personal information, the NHS Business Services Authority:

• use your details to process your application and to prevent fraud

• will not give your details to anyone unless we have to by law

• will not transfer details outside the European Economic Area

• may contact you about your application and our service quality

• will delete your personal information after 7 years