

What is prescribing?

What are the different types of prescribing...?



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Who can prescribe what?

Types of medicines

When is prescribing not prescribing?

Prescribing laws

The Medicines
Act 1968

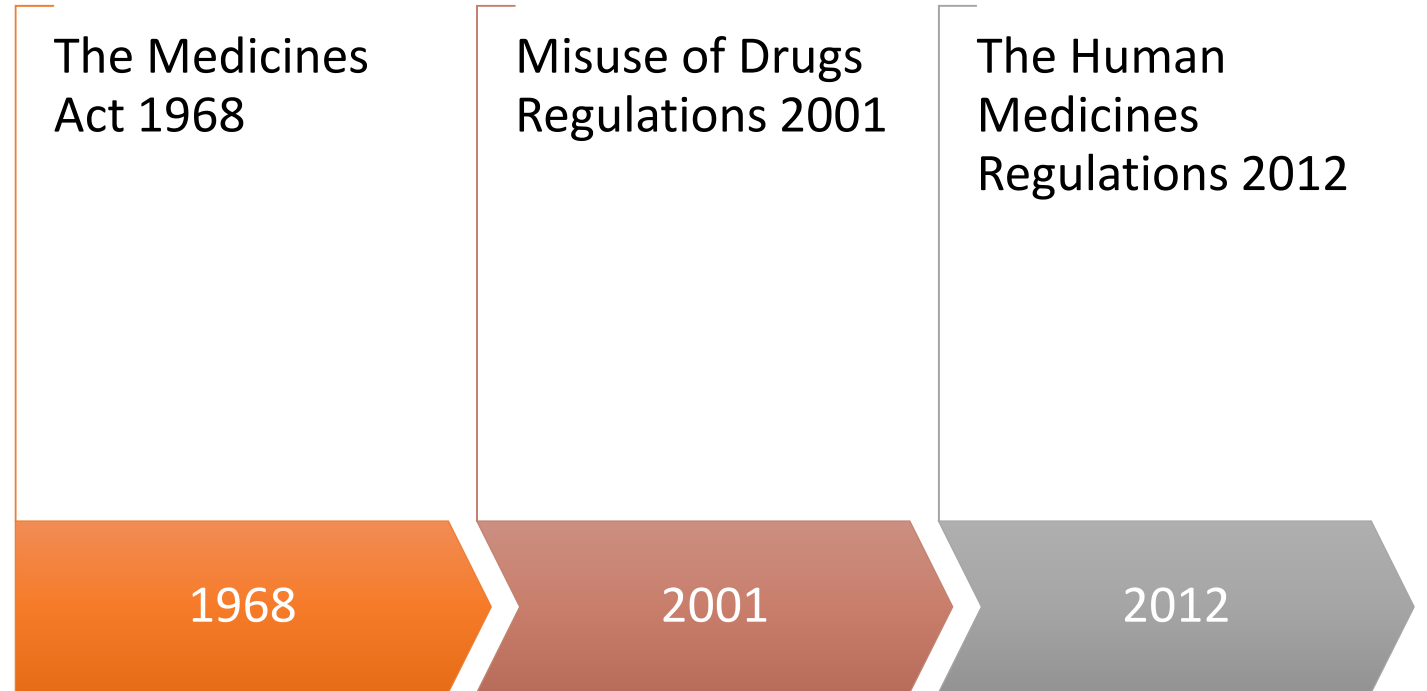
1968

Misuse of Drugs
Regulations 2001

2001

The Human
Medicines
Regulations 2012

2012



Types of medicines

- GSL
 - General Sales List
- P
 - Pharmacy Medicines
- POM
 - Prescription Only Medicines
- CD
 - Controlled Drugs
- ACBS – What are these?



Types of prescribing



MEDICAL
PRESCRIBING



DOCTORS & DENTISTS
ON QUALIFYING

Non-Medical Prescribing

'Supply & Administer'

PGDs

PSDs

Exemptions

'Prescribing'

IP – Independent prescriber

SP – supplementary prescriber

What is Supplementary prescribing..?

- Voluntary partnership between a supplementary prescriber and an independent (medical) prescriber
- Based on a patient-specific clinical management plan (CMP)
- **NOT** to do with prescribing “supplements”!



CMP – Clinical
management
plan



Who has what prescribing entitlements?

Medicines entitlements of our registered professions

Profession	Supply and administration			Prescribing		
	PSD	PGD	Exemptions	SP	IP	IP - CDs
Art therapist	✓					
Biomedical scientist	✓					
Chiropodist / podiatrist	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Clinical scientist	✓					
Dietitian	✓	✓		✓		
Hearing aid dispenser	✓					
Occupational therapist	✓	✓				
Orthoptist	✓	✓	✓			
Operating department practitioner	✓					
Paramedic	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Physiotherapist	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
Practitioner psychologist	✓					
Prosthetist / orthotist	✓	✓				
Radiographer - Diagnostic	✓	✓		✓		
Radiographer - Therapeutic	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
Speech and language therapist	✓	✓				

Prescribing for dietitians

HCPC Register entries

Check the Register: Details for

Name Paul D Mcardle

Registration number DT08385

Location Birmingham

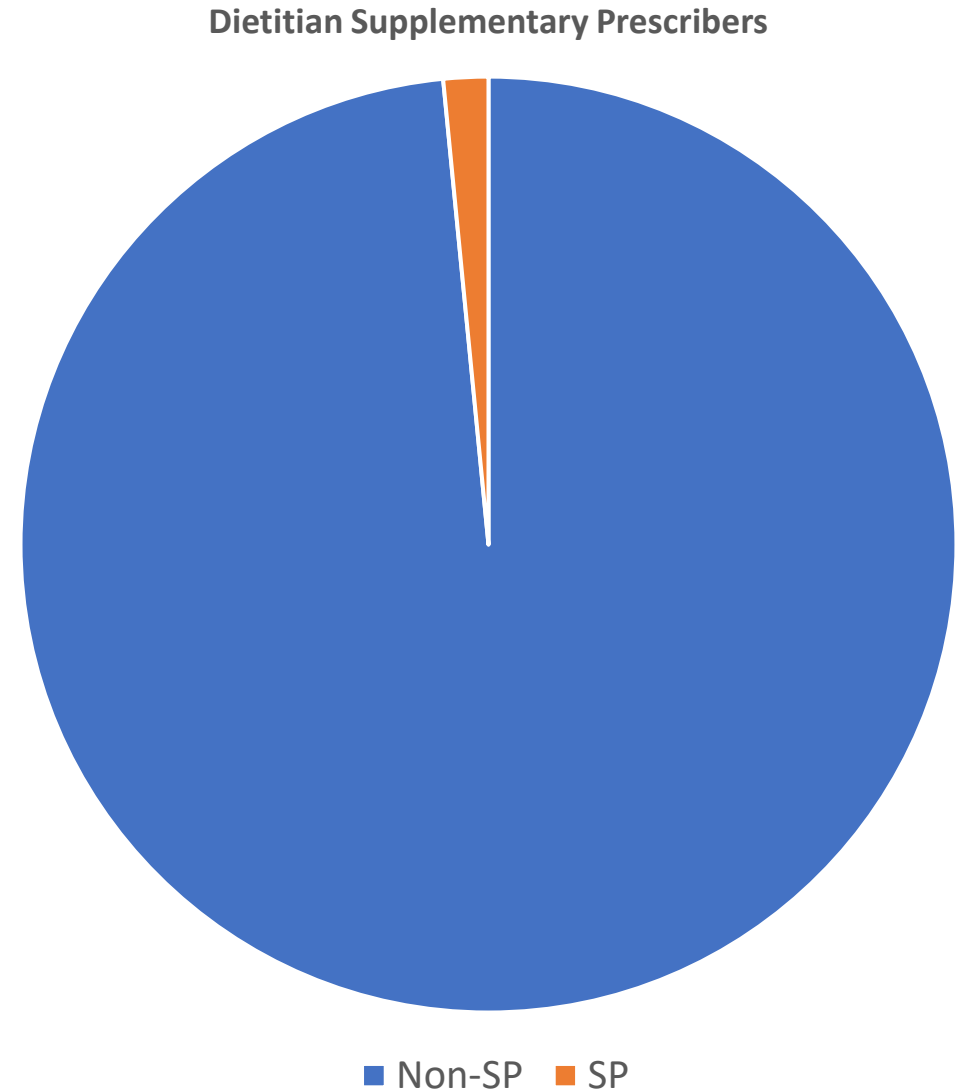
Status Registered

Period 01/07/2022 to 30/06/2024

Additional Entitlements ☐ SP 

'Current' Dietetic Prescribers

- HCPC Data from 1 December 2021
 - 10,639 RDs
 - 181 SPs
 - 1.7% of registrants, c.f. approx. 5.5% of Physios IP + SP



Dietetic prescribing... What are the benefits?



Timely access to the right treatments for patients



Greater flexibility & reduced waiting times



Better continuity of care



Improved patient safety



Reduced pressure on other professionals e.g. GPs



Cost savings to the NHS



Improved patient outcomes

What does this mean for DSDs?



Role & opportunities



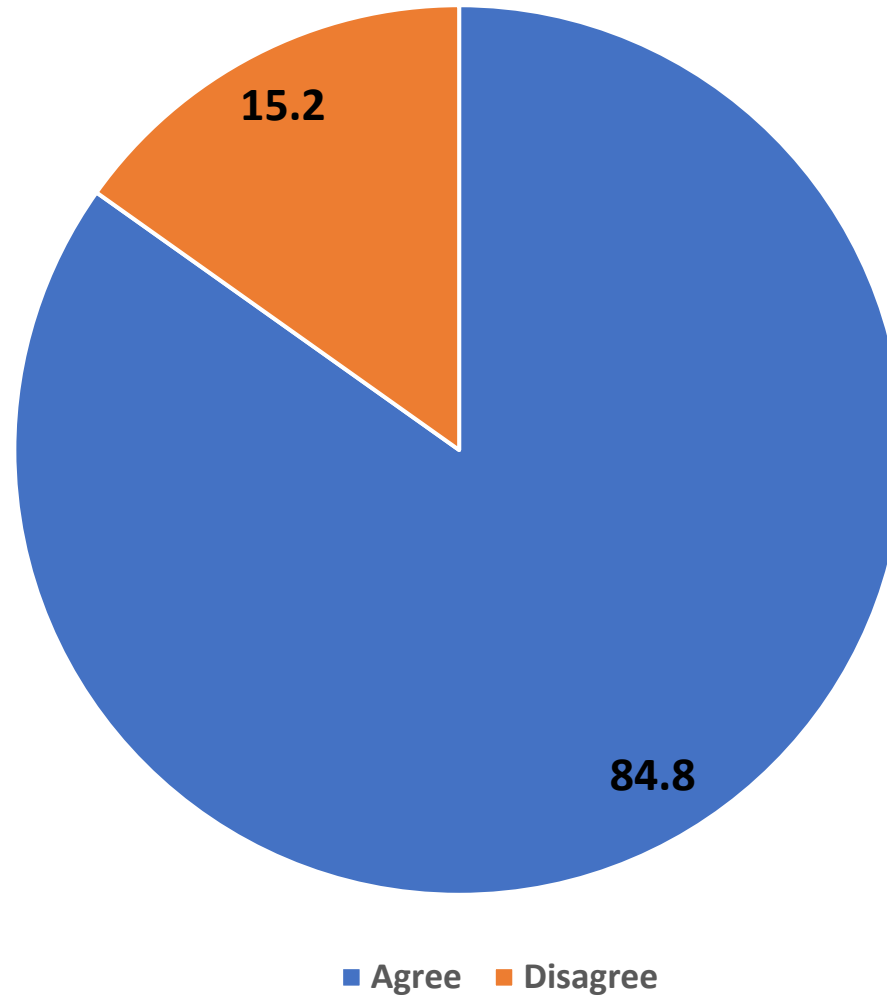
Medicines Optimisation &
Deprescribing



When is prescribing not
prescribing? (Trailer for later...)_

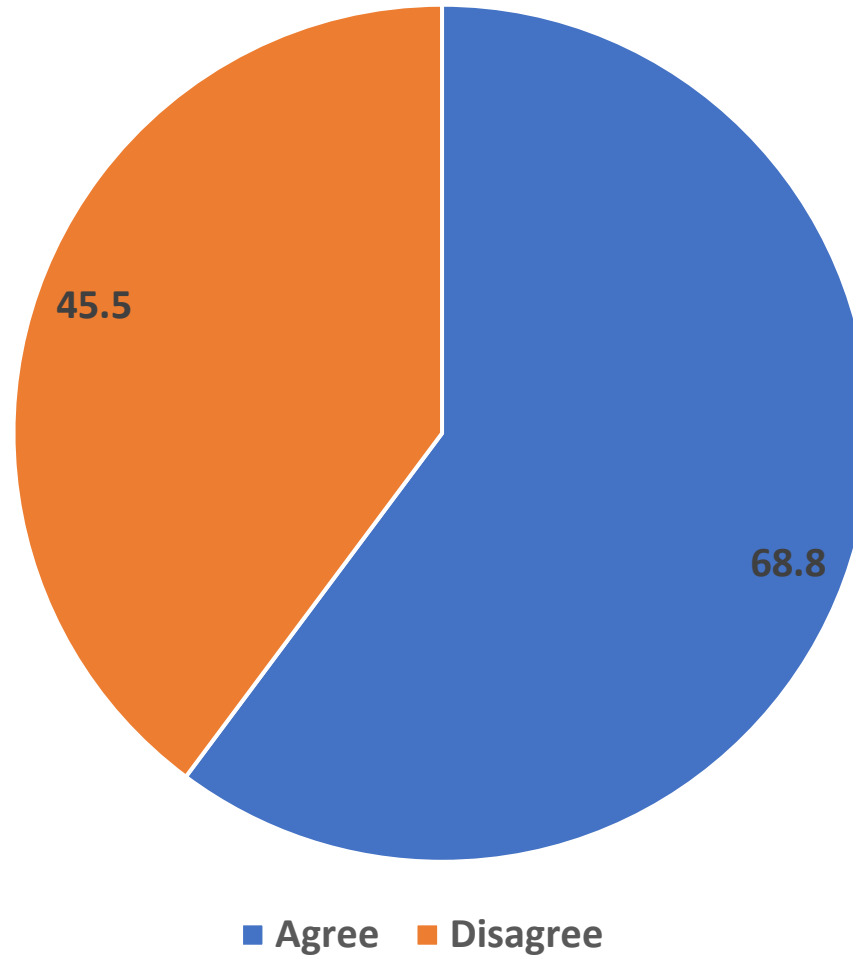
It is usual practice to give advice to adjust insulin doses

**Poll of DSDs
January 2024
n=145**



It is usual practice to give advice to other health professionals on medications

Poll of DSDs
January 2024
n=112



BDA Work

- BDA led the work to gain SP entitlements for Dietitians over many years.
- Latest campaign: Prescribing Now
 - Joint initiative with other AHP Bodies
 - Calling for Independent Prescribing for Dietitians
 - Resources including template letters for your MP:
<https://www.bda.uk.com/news-campaigns/campaigns/independent-prescribing.html>
- BDA DSG is working on a Policy Statement & supporting resources on Medicines Management / Prescribing for DSDs