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<Patient Name>
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Dear < insert patient name >

Review of Prescribing: Dental medicines

The local NHS, Norfolk and Waveney Integrated Care Board, regularly review the medicines prescribed to ensure that our local doctors are using the most effective and good value medicines. Medicines for dental conditions should be prescribed by a dentist.

As a result, prescriptions for dental products including **mouthwashes / oral sprays** *[delete as appropriate]* will no longer be available on prescription from your GP and the following preparation will be removed from your repeat prescription:

Corsodyl (chlorhexidine gluconate 0.2%) Mouthwash
Difflam (benzylamine 0.15%) Mouthwash / Spray
[Delete as appropriate]

These products can be purchased from pharmacies and supermarkets. Your local pharmacist can also advise you on the most appropriate product for your needs and which product offers the best value for money.

Any decision to change prescribing is not taken lightly; it is our responsibility to provide the best value for money for all our patients. To meet that duty, we need to make sure we commission cost-effective prescribing which will have the greatest impact on the largest number of people.

Should you require more information about this, please contact the Contact Us Team at nwicb.contactus@nhs.net , they will be able to put you in contact with the appropriate person.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of several overlapping loops and a final flourish that ends in a small circle.

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