

Prescription Charges!!

When you are a student aged 19 or over and receive NHS treatment you will be asked to pay a charge (health cost).

However, you are entitled to help towards these cost.

This may be **Prescription Pre-payment** for people who require large quantities or regular prescriptions to reduce the cost when they are not entitled to free prescriptions on other grounds.

People who have to pay for more than 5 prescription items in 4 months, or 14 items in 12 months, could save money by buying a **prescription pre-payment certificate (PPC)**. From 1 April 2006, the charge for a single prescription item is £6.65, whereas a 4-month PPC will cost you £34.65 and a 12-month PPC £95.30.

You can only use a PPC, an example of which is shown on the right, for your own NHS prescriptions. You need to find a copy of the HC11 leaflet.



NHS Prescription Charge Certificate		NHS
Certificate Type:	Pre-payment	
Certificate No:	12345678900	
Name:	Title First Forename Surname	
Valid from:	03/10/02	
Expires and:	02/02/03	

Leaflet HC11 (Help with Health Costs) is also obtainable from Post Offices, some pharmacies and GP surgeries.

Alternatively, by writing to:

**Department of Health,
PO Box 777,
LONDON SE1 6XH.**

You can also access them at www.ppa.org.uk/ppc and www.dh.gov.uk

