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Dear Colleague

Re: WeMeReC Maps

The enclosed WeMeReC Map presents co-proxamol prescribing data provided by Health Solution Wales for September 2005. The map has been produced to support the recommendation of the All Wales Medicines Strategy Group that, for safety reasons, prescribing of co-proxamol should have ceased by March 2006.

Maps is a new product that has been developed by WeMeReC to highlight prescribing information for Wales. The maps outline prescribing trends in local health boards and focus on specific areas in which improvements in prescribing are desirable.

We appreciate that in the months since September 2005, prescribing trends may have altered and that overall prescribing rates are relatively low; however, our intention is to help facilitate the changes that are sought to optimise safe prescribing practice across Wales.

Maps can also be viewed via our website: www.wemerec.org

If you have any questions or comments, or if you have any requests for maps you would be interested in seeing developed, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely

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