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[Patient Address Block]

Dear [Title] [Surname],

**Your Bath and shower emollients will no longer be available on NHS Prescription**

Dear Mr/Mrs/Miss [Surname],

As a practice we constantly review repeat prescriptions to make sure that we are following the latest NHS guidance and providing the best value for the NHS. NHS Dorset have asked GP teams to cease prescribing of bath and shower emollients for patients over 12 months where the item has not been recommended by a specialist.

There is no clinical benefit in using these products over standard leave-on emollients as soap substitutes. The NHS recommends that these should not be routinely prescribed any longer. Bath and shower emollients are available to buy from most supermarkets and pharmacies if you would like to continue with this treatment.

If you have any questions about this change, please contact your GP/Nurse/Pharmacist (delete as appropriate).

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| **GP/Nurse/Pharmacist** [delete as applicable] | [Add number] |

Yours sincerely

Dr [insert name] and partners