

Do you know which service to use?



Find out which service you should use to get the right support and quickest medical help in Shropshire, Telford and Wrekin.

thinkwhichservice.co.uk

Our local health and care professionals are ready and waiting to provide you with the right help, at the right time, in the right place. All you need to know is which service best suits your needs.

Think self-care for a better winter

As a GP, here are my top self-care tips:

- · Get COVID-19, flu and RSV vaccinations if eligible
- Stay active, hydrated, eat well, and spend time outdoors. Wear grippy shoes to help prevent falls
- Keep warm and heat regularly used rooms in your house to 18C
- Contact your local council if you are worried about money, struggling to pay bills or buy food
- Connect with others and check on older or unwell neighbours, friends and family
- Keep a stocked medicine cabinet



Think Pharmacist for the right advice and medication for your condition

I am a community pharmacist; we are highly qualified and knowledgeable experts. All pharmacies in Shropshire, Telford and Wrekin have private consultation rooms and can help you with seven conditions without needing a GP appointment. Speak to your pharmacist if you have:

- Sinusitis
- Sore throat
- Earache (children)
- Infected insect bites
- Impetigo
- Shingles
- Urinary tract infections (women aged 16 to 64 years)



Find out which service you should use and why.



Think NHS 111 online if you're not sure what to do

I am an NHS 111 call handler. Visit 111.nhs.uk or call 111 for:

- Prompt guidance, keeping GP Practices and A&E (Emergency Departments) free for those who need them most
- 24/7, 365 days a year, quick online advice
- · Non-life-threatening medical issues
- · Emergency face-to-face appointments
- Assistance with repeat prescriptions or emergency supply
- Emergency dental or mental health support.

Think Minor Injury Units (MIU) before A&E

I'm one of the Emergency Nurse Practitioners at a local MIU. We treat various minor injuries without the A&E (Emergency Department) wait:

- Sprains and strains
- Minor fractures
- Wounds needing stitches
- Burns and scalds
- Minor head injuries

Visit us to keep A&E (Emergency Departments) available for the people who need them most. MIUs are in Bridgnorth, Ludlow, Whitchurch, and Oswestry Health Centre.



This winter, think which service for the right help, fast



For further information and support visit: thinkwhichservice.co.uk

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SELF-CARE	Common ailments and illnesses
M NHS 111	Urgent medical help or advice that isn't life-threatening
PHARMACIST	Health advice and over the counter medicines
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MINOR INJURY UNITS	Walk-in service for urgent care
999 A&E	Life-threatening emergencies
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