

23 July 2026

Dear Colleague,

Fleadh Cheoil na hÉireann 2026

Additional Submission Arrangements for Dispensing Contractors

Belfast will host Fleadh Cheoil na hÉireann from Sunday 2 August to Sunday 9 August 2026. Approximately 800,000 visitors are expected to attend throughout the week, resulting in increased footfall, traffic congestion and disruption to transport across parts of the city. Significant road closures [road closures](#) and pedestrianisation measures will be in place within Belfast city centre during this period.

As this event coincides with the July 2026 second prescription submission period, which runs from Friday 7 August to Tuesday 11 August 2026, we have introduced temporary arrangements to support dispensing contractors in making timely submissions.

Although roads surrounding the Business Services Organisation (BSO), 2 Franklin Street, Belfast, BT2 8DQ are not reported as being closed, the following arrangements will apply from Monday 3 August to Friday 7 August 2026:

- July 2026 second submissions may be delivered to BSO either in person or by courier between Monday 3 August and Thursday 6 August 2026;
- The BSO premises at 2 Franklin Street will be open from 6.30am daily to receive these submissions from Monday 3 August to Friday 7 August 2026.

Normal submission arrangements will resume on Monday 10 August and Tuesday 11 August 2026.

For contractors who use the DX courier service, please be advised that these temporary arrangements have been communicated directly to DX.

These measures are intended to assist dispensing contractors in planning ahead, minimising any disruption caused by the event, and ensuring prescriptions are submitted within the required timescales to avoid any risk to your August 2026 payment.

Should you have any queries or require further assistance, please contact the Submission of Prescriptions Section on:

- 028 9536 2471 or 028 9536 3677

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in purple ink that reads "Gail Carland".

Gail Carland
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