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For the Attention of GDS

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Dear Colleague

**PHILLIPS DEFIBRILLATOR CONSUMABLES**

Amongst package of support measures to the General Dental Service during 2014 the Chief Dental Officer paid for the purchase of a total of 513 Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs). These AEDs were distributed across the Boards for usage in General Dental Practices, with the expectation that the dental practices would be responsible for the ongoing storage, upkeep and maintenance of the units, including the replacement of associated sundries (AED batteries and both paediatric and adult pads).

The AEDs were purchased from Philips, and when purchased Laerdal were Philips commercial partners, providing the specific replacement sundries for the Philips AEDs in 2014.

NSS National Procurement was asked to help dental practices last year as they were unable to source specifically paediatric pads for the Philips AEDs. Our commodity manager in this area of business has worked hard to resolve the issue on behalf of the dental practices and Boards. National Procurement will continue to monitor the situation and will help should further issues arise but this is not National Procurement core business and would hope to withdraw from this and simply encourage direct dialogue between practices and the sundry supplier.

Request for pads should be sent directly to Cardiac Services who are distributors for Philips in Scotland at the following address:

Orders-uk@cardiac-services.com

(As dental practices will normally not have an account with Cardiac services they can pay using a credit/debit card.)

I have also included the HS1 part numbers should anyone need clarification.

- o M5071A HS1 Adult SMART Pads Cartridge
- o M5072A HS1 Infant/Child SMART Pads Cartridge.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'W. Paul Cushley', written over a white background.

**PAUL CUSHLEY**  
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