



## Launch of NEW SY ICB Medicines Optimisation Website ( 1<sup>st</sup> Sept 2025 )

This briefing will let you know about important changes in how to access SY ICB Medicines Optimisation Team (MOT) documents in the future.

From 1<sup>st</sup> September 2025, ALL “MOT documents” will be available exclusively via our new website:

<https://mot.southyorkshire.icb.nhs.uk>



This includes clinical and prescribing guidance, shared care protocols, traffic list and formulary system information, community pharmacy documents and MO news updates.

**MOT documents may remain accessible on other websites after 1<sup>st</sup> Sept, however they will no longer be updated by ICB MOT. This means they will become outdated over time and should be used with caution. MO material on former Place based websites will become unavailable as we review and remove them, and where there are “standalone” websites (the former Doncaster and Sheffield CCG sites) these will be shut down.**

### Why We’re Making This Change

- Improved accuracy – a single location for all documents means less risk of using outdated materials.
- Easier access – one central, bookmarked link to find everything you need.
- Consistency across SY – ensuring everyone is using the same version of key documents.
- Cost effectiveness – holding 1 contract represents a better use of public resources than 4, and prepares us for the online presence for the future operation of the ICB.

### What You Need To Do

- Bookmark the new MOT website: <https://mot.southyorkshire.icb.nhs.uk>
- **Use this new MOT site exclusively from 1 September for all MOT documents**
- During the transition period, beginning of September, users may notice links still being updated
- **Please Note: Other websites with MOT material are no longer being updated by ICB MOT.**  
*e.g. [best.barnsleyccg.nhs.uk](https://best.barnsleyccg.nhs.uk), [medicinesmanagement.doncasterccg.nhs.uk](https://medicinesmanagement.doncasterccg.nhs.uk), [yourhealthrotherham.co.uk](https://yourhealthrotherham.co.uk), [www.intranet.sheffieldccg.nhs.uk/medicines-prescribing](https://www.intranet.sheffieldccg.nhs.uk/medicines-prescribing)*
- Check you’re on the correct site – verify the web address in the browser matches:  
<https://mot.southyorkshire.icb.nhs.uk>
- Prescribing Support Tools (**OptimiseRx / ScriptSwitch**) former Place MOT links will now take users to the new MOT website



## Support During The Transition

- Notices/Re-directs will be placed (where possible) on old websites sign-posting you to the new site.
- Short video demo walking you through the new site and its features is available [here](#)
- briefing includes hints & tips (below) for using the website, with screenshots for easy reference.
- SY MOT are available to answer any questions and provide support. Please contact us via our new integrated MOT email for the whole of SY: [syicb-sheffield.syicb.medsopt1@nhs.net](mailto:syicb-sheffield.syicb.medsopt1@nhs.net)



## Feedback

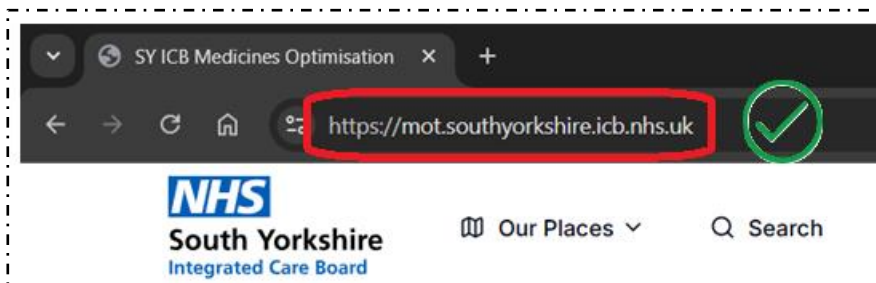
- If you experience any issues accessing the new site, or if you have questions about the transition, please email: [syicb-sheffield.syicb.medsopt1@nhs.net](mailto:syicb-sheffield.syicb.medsopt1@nhs.net)
- Post-launch (from 1<sup>st</sup> Sept), we welcome any feedback on the new website site via our online form [here](#)



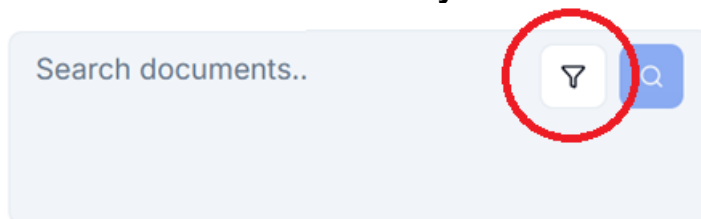
## Hints & Tips

### How to check the website address in your browser?

1. Look at the top of your browser window – the address bar is where website's link is shown.
2. Check main part of the address (aka domain) starts with “[mot.southyorkshire.icb.nhs.uk](https://mot.southyorkshire.icb.nhs.uk)”
3. If it's different? – you're viewing an outdated document &/or on the old website. *Please note: during transition period, beginning of Sept, users may notice links are still being changed as we fully migrate.*



### How to filter search results by “Location” &/or “Category” and “Sort by”?



### How are search results ordered?

Azure AI search orders search results based on “similarity”. Further info available via: <https://learn.microsoft.com/en-us/azure/search/semantic-search-overview#how-results-are-scored>

### What are “live feeds”?

Scroll down to the bottom of the webpage and you find two (2) useful lists:

- i) Updated Documents (*last 10 docs*)
- ii) Trending Documents (*based on user activity over last 30 days*)

