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**REQUEST:** What steps have the Trust taken to help those whose drugs are likely to become unavailable due to the Brexit situation.

**OUR RESPONSE:** The Trust continues to follow the Department of Health & Social Care's EU exit operational guidance. All medicine suppliers have been asked by the Department of Health (DH) to ensure that they have at least 6 weeks additional supply in the UK, over and above their business as usual operational buffer stocks. The DH has procured extra transport capacity to ensure that medicines can continue to move freely in the UK. NHS trusts have been specifically advised to not stockpile medicine above normal stock holding levels, and Leicestershire Partnership Trust is abiding by that guidance.