

1. **Do you agree that the proposed areas detailed in the scope are the right areas to be covered by the gender identity healthcare services standards?**

Yes

2. **Are there any key points or areas that are not covered?**

Yes

Some patients use private services for treatment. It would be helpful to both clinicians and patients if the standards could outline how NHS and private services should interact, and what the process should be for supporting the transfer of care from private to NHS services.

3. **Do you agree with the proposed population(s) covered?**

Yes

4. **Do you agree with the proposed settings covered?**

Yes

It would make sense to specifically include pharmacies in this list, as many patients will be accessing medication and advice via pharmacies, particularly community pharmacies.

- 5 **Are there any key references or evidence that we should include?**

Yes/No

If yes, please provide further comments

- 6 **Are there any gaps in the proposed development group membership?**

Yes

There is not any pharmacy representation on the proposed development group.

Patients are likely to be accessing medication which will be provided in pharmacies. Pharmacists are experts in medicines and provide advice, therefore it is essential that there is pharmacist involvement on the group, covering both secondary and primary care roles.

7. Do you have any additional comments or suggestions you would like to make about the scope report?

Royal Pharmaceutical Society welcomes the introduction of gender identity healthcare standards, and is ready to support the pharmacy workforce in implementing them across health services and settings in Scotland.