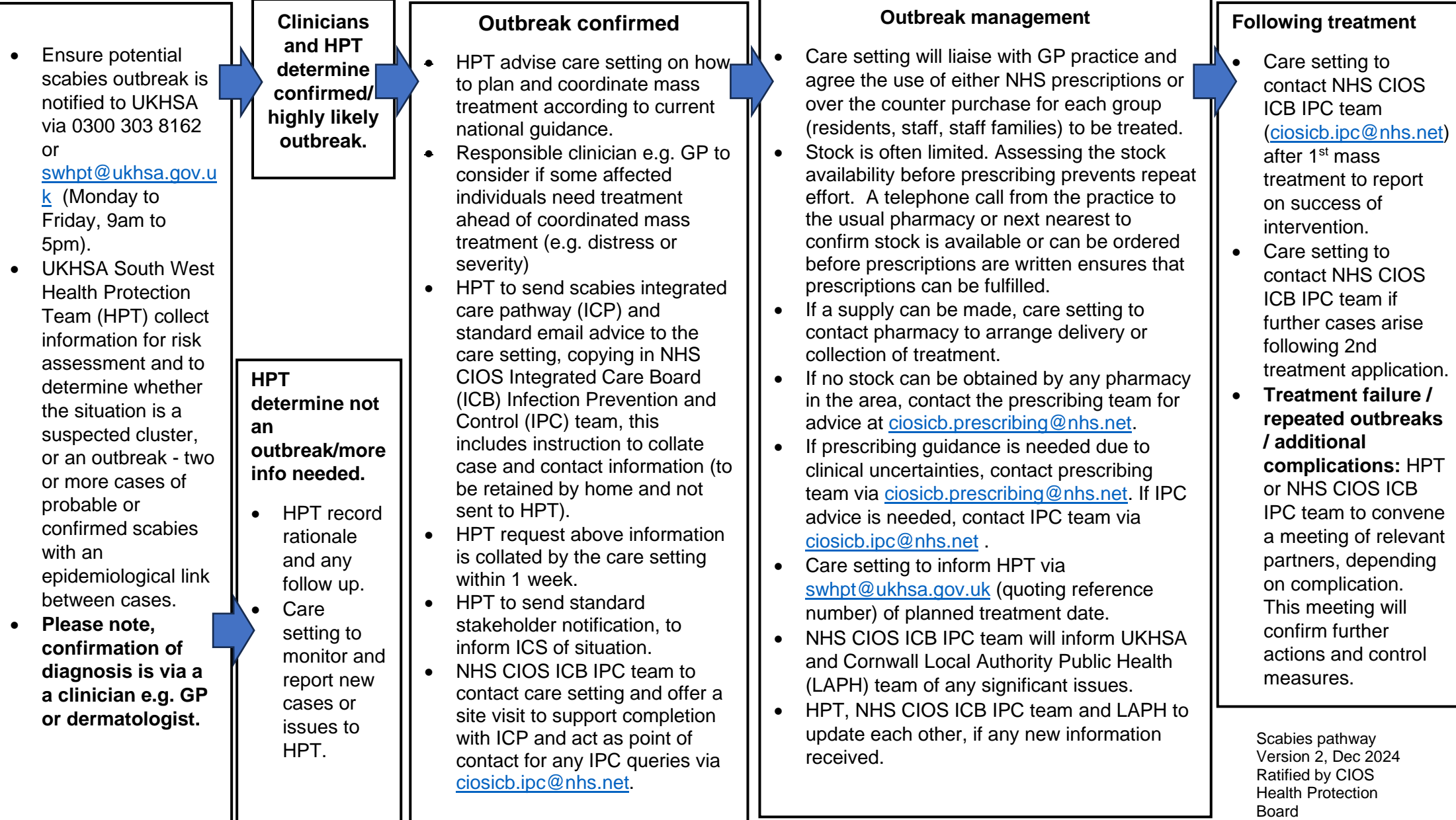


### Pathway for Cornwall and Isles of Scilly (CIOS) Integrated Care System (ICS) care setting scabies notifications



- Ensure potential scabies outbreak is notified to UKHSA via 0300 303 8162 or [swhpt@ukhsa.gov.uk](mailto:swhpt@ukhsa.gov.uk) (Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm).
- UKHSA South West Health Protection Team (HPT) collect information for risk assessment and to determine whether the situation is a suspected cluster, or an outbreak - two or more cases of probable or confirmed scabies with an epidemiological link between cases.
- **Please note, confirmation of diagnosis is via a clinician e.g. GP or dermatologist.**

**Clinicians and HPT determine confirmed/highly likely outbreak.**

**HPT determine not an outbreak/more info needed.**

- HPT record rationale and any follow up.
- Care setting to monitor and report new cases or issues to HPT.

**Outbreak confirmed**

- HPT advise care setting on how to plan and coordinate mass treatment according to current national guidance.
- Responsible clinician e.g. GP to consider if some affected individuals need treatment ahead of coordinated mass treatment (e.g. distress or severity)
- HPT to send scabies integrated care pathway (ICP) and standard email advice to the care setting, copying in NHS CIOS Integrated Care Board (ICB) Infection Prevention and Control (IPC) team, this includes instruction to collate case and contact information (to be retained by home and not sent to HPT).
- HPT request above information is collated by the care setting within 1 week.
- HPT to send standard stakeholder notification, to inform ICS of situation.
- NHS CIOS ICB IPC team to contact care setting and offer a site visit to support completion with ICP and act as point of contact for any IPC queries via [ciosicb.ipc@nhs.net](mailto:ciosicb.ipc@nhs.net).

**Outbreak management**

- Care setting will liaise with GP practice and agree the use of either NHS prescriptions or over the counter purchase for each group (residents, staff, staff families) to be treated.
- Stock is often limited. Assessing the stock availability before prescribing prevents repeat effort. A telephone call from the practice to the usual pharmacy or next nearest to confirm stock is available or can be ordered before prescriptions are written ensures that prescriptions can be fulfilled.
- If a supply can be made, care setting to contact pharmacy to arrange delivery or collection of treatment.
- If no stock can be obtained by any pharmacy in the area, contact the prescribing team for advice at [ciosicb.prescribing@nhs.net](mailto:ciosicb.prescribing@nhs.net).
- If prescribing guidance is needed due to clinical uncertainties, contact prescribing team via [ciosicb.prescribing@nhs.net](mailto:ciosicb.prescribing@nhs.net). If IPC advice is needed, contact IPC team via [ciosicb.ipc@nhs.net](mailto:ciosicb.ipc@nhs.net).
- Care setting to inform HPT via [swhpt@ukhsa.gov.uk](mailto:swhpt@ukhsa.gov.uk) (quoting reference number) of planned treatment date.
- NHS CIOS ICB IPC team will inform UKHSA and Cornwall Local Authority Public Health (LAPH) team of any significant issues.
- HPT, NHS CIOS ICB IPC team and LAPH to update each other, if any new information received.

**Following treatment**

- Care setting to contact NHS CIOS ICB IPC team ([ciosicb.ipc@nhs.net](mailto:ciosicb.ipc@nhs.net)) after 1<sup>st</sup> mass treatment to report on success of intervention.
- Care setting to contact NHS CIOS ICB IPC team if further cases arise following 2<sup>nd</sup> treatment application.
- **Treatment failure / repeated outbreaks / additional complications:** HPT or NHS CIOS ICB IPC team to convene a meeting of relevant partners, depending on complication. This meeting will confirm further actions and control measures.