**Private Weight Loss Medication Prescribing**

<Patient Name>

<Patient address>

Date: <Todays date>

NHS No. <NHS number>

Dear <Patient Name>.

We have received a letter from a private provider to let us know you are accessing weight management support through a private provider. The provider has requested that we (your GP practice) provide medical information for them to help them make safe decisions regarding your care.

We have replied to them directly to advise that they need to be in touch with you to arrange this.

**Please note,** that having reviewed your medical record, we have identified that private weight loss injections may not be appropriate for you and as such, your private provider should be informed of this reason to assess whether prescribing is appropriate for you. Your consent for us to inform them of this is required. Please contact us ***immediately*** to grant us this consent.

If you do not consent to us providing them this information or we or we do not hear from you in the next 7 days, we will have to inform them that you're aware of information that makes the prescription inappropriate, but that you have not given you consent to share this. They will then likely contact you and may withdraw prescribing the injection for you for safety reasons.

Information we send to the private provider is not NHS GP work and a fee may be charged. Your private provider may pass this charge on to you.

The final responsibility for assessing your suitability to prescribe your weight loss treatment sits with the company you have chosen.

Yours sincerely.

<Sender name>

**On behalf of <Sender details>**

**How to obtain information for you to send to your private provider:**

The information they may require can be given to them via the NHS app yourself.

If you are unable to do this then please contact us routinely and we can supply the same information in a computer-generated summary for you to forward on to them, although we will make it clear that this does not mean we have made an assessment as to the suitability or safety of the private provider commencing a specific treatment.