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Abstract

Background

Policy-driven ehealth underpins the delivery of healthcare in which pharmacy practice plays an increasingly integral role. As health is a devolved matter within the UK, responsibility for policy development and service delivery lies with the parliament of each of the home nations.

Aim

The aim of this research was to describe the policy-driven intended use of ehealth as the landscape of pharmacy practice evolves in Scotland.

Methods

A content analysis of current policy and strategy documents was conducted. A framework approach was applied (transcribing, familiarising, coding, developing/applying analytical framework, mapping data to the framework, interpreting patterns across and within constructs) from which a conceptual

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