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Direct Supply Route for Dressings

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The Current Route – FP10
What is the challenge?

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- Prescription delays and time required to process these
- Waste from not splitting boxes and patient's treatment changing
- Not having access to a range of dressings
- Patients needing to pay for their prescription if not exempt
- Patients not bringing their dressings with them i.e. discharges/next app
- Not having stock for trauma wounds
- Prescribed dressings legally belonging to the patient/not able to be used on other patient
- Varying practices and treatments

Patient Scenario

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Patient living in nursing home with infected leg ulcer..

What's the journey??

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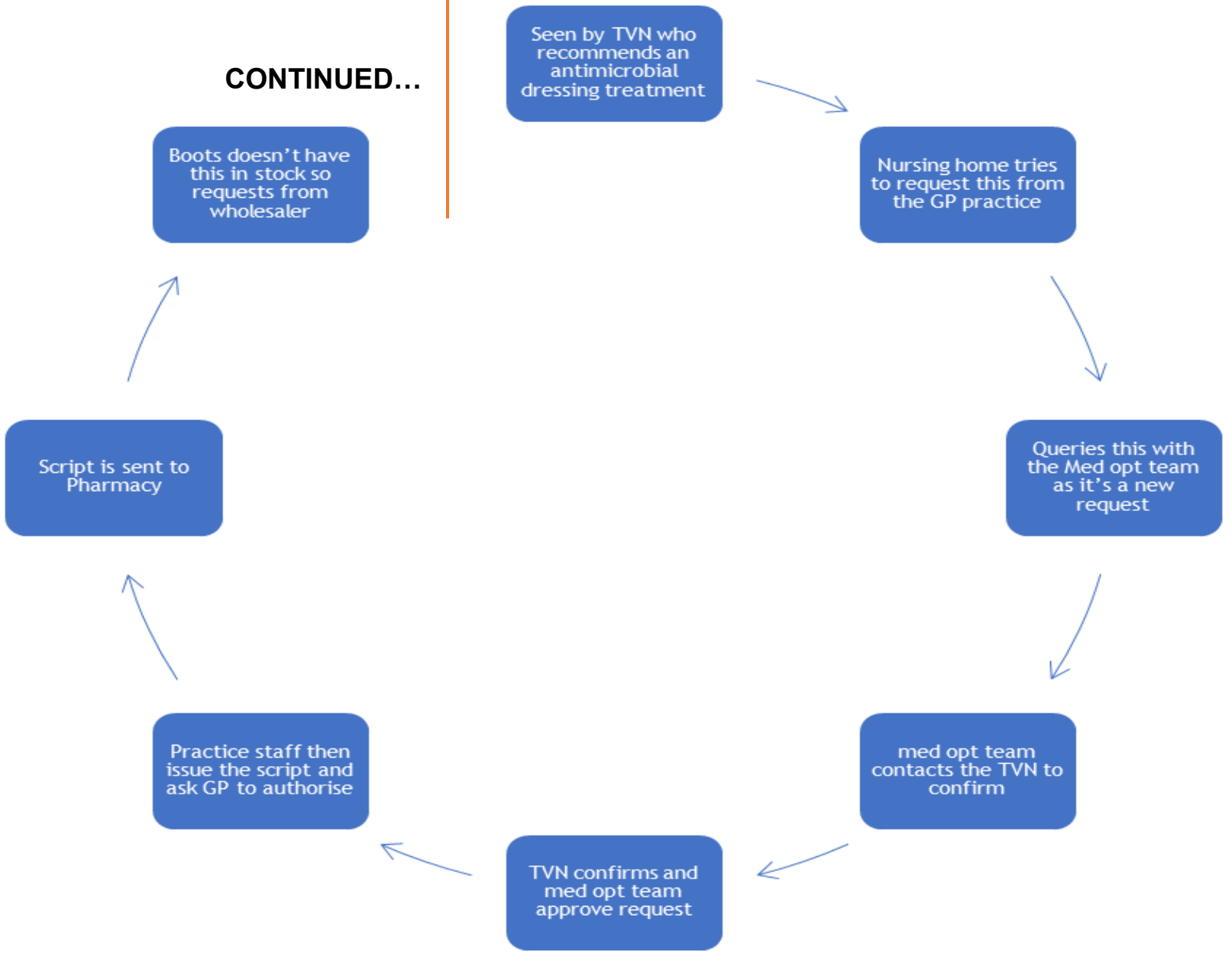

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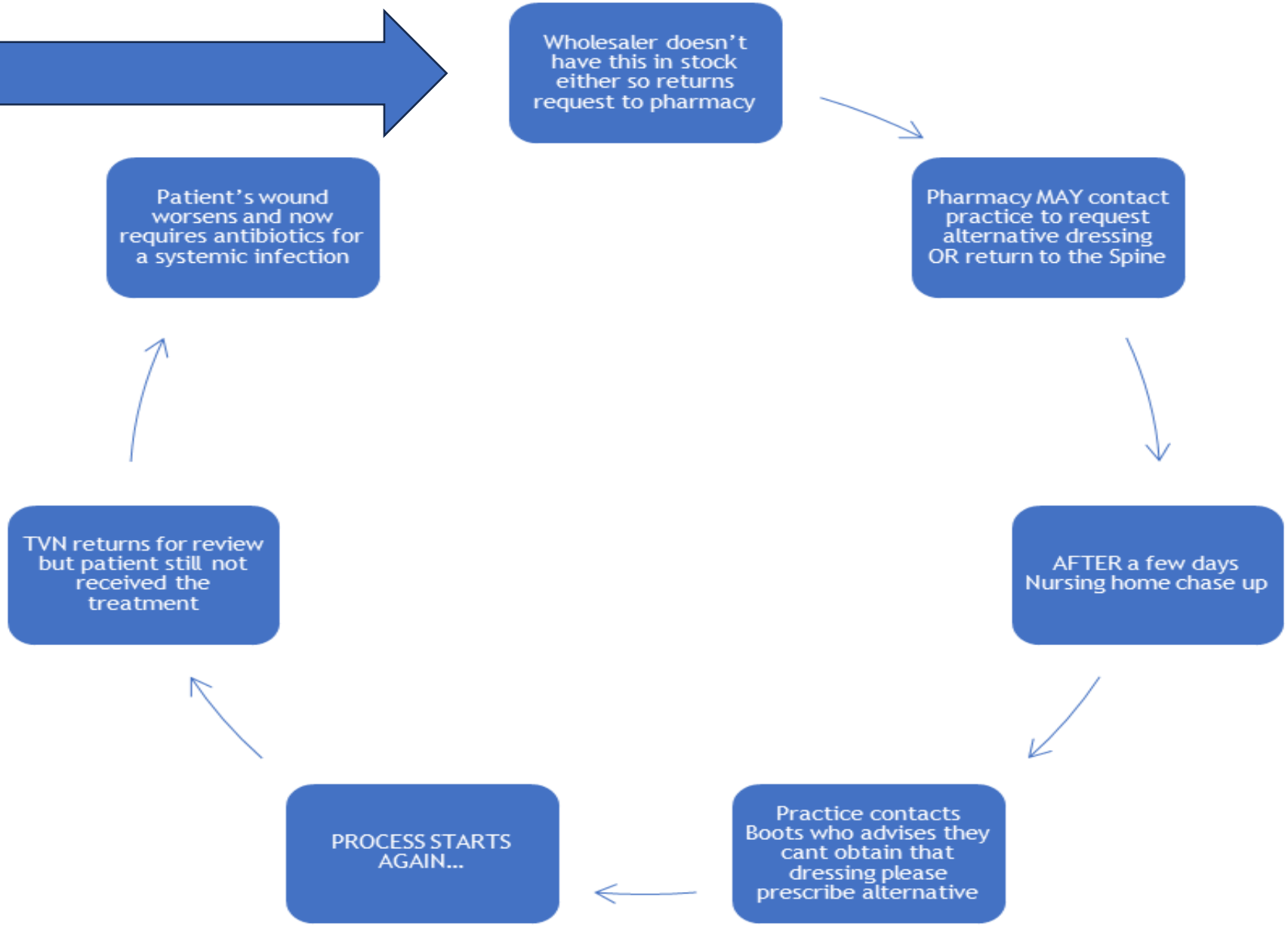

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What should it look like??

Patient living in Nursing home presenting with infected leg ulcer:

1. Seen by TVN who recommends an antimicrobial dressing treatment.
2. Nurse accesses antimicrobial dressing from stock cupboard and applied to leg ulcer.
3. TVN returns for review after 2 weeks of treatment.
4. Patient’s leg ulcer has much improved, and infection has now gone.



Benefits utilising this opportunity:

Reduce prescription delays and time required to process these

- *No more prescriptions to sign*

Reduce waste

- *No ordering for individual patients, ordering will be for your stock room!*

Improve sustainability

- *NHS supply chain will deliver your stock once a week*

Improve access to dressings – avoiding stock delays

- *One central supplier providing the dressings*

Opportunity for Nurses to stock their own dressings to have everything to hand

- *Access to order a range of dressing types to meet your patients' needs as the wound changes*

Quick provision of treatment and choice of dressings.

- *Right dressing at the Right time for the Right patient!*
- *Patients will no longer pay for prescriptions for dressings (if non-exempt)*
- *One simplified ordering system (ONPOS) with onsite training provided*

Nursing Homes will be able to sign up in phase two if assigned to a practice that utilises the system. This will save substantial time for practices as they will no longer need to process dressings for the allocated nursing home.

- *Nursing homes will order their own stock*
- *NHS Supply chain will deliver directly to the home*
- *No more prescription requests to the GP*
- *No more treatment delays for nursing home patients: Improved outcomes!*
- *Care Home Tissue Viability Nurse can monitor usage on the system*

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