

# Universal Credit

Not everyone getting Universal Credit is entitled to free prescriptions. You're only entitled if your earnings during your **last assessment period** were:

- £435 or less
- £935 or less if your Universal Credit includes a payment for a child or you have limited capability for work or work-related activity

'Last assessment period' means the assessment period that ended immediately before the date you claim free prescriptions.

If you claim Universal Credit as a couple, the earnings limit applies to the joint income of you and your partner. Your earnings are shown on your statement as 'Your total take-home pay for this period'.

If you're entitled to free prescriptions through Universal Credit, **you must tick the income-based Jobseeker's Allowance box** on the back of your prescription.

A tick box for Universal Credit, will be added to the form soon.



For more information on who can claim free prescriptions and how to apply for help with NHS charges, visit [www.nhsbsa.nhs.uk/healthcosts](http://www.nhsbsa.nhs.uk/healthcosts)