

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 a free prescription.

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 eligible for free prescriptions because you get Universal Credit and your latest earnings are under the threshold, tick box U on the back of your prescription.



See if you're entitled to free prescriptions by going to www.nhs.uk/checkbeforeyoutick and using the free eligibility checker.