

# 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:

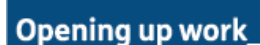
- £435 or less
- £935 or less if your Universal Credit includes a payment for a child or you have limited capability for work

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

As your earnings can change each assessment period, we recommend using the online eligibility checker every time you pick up a new 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](https://www.nhs.uk/checkbeforeyoutick) and using the free eligibility checker.