

## **Professor Anne M Watson**

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Professor Anne Watson has a national educational role within Pharmacy in Scotland as the Postgraduate Pharmacy Dean at NHS Education for Scotland (NES), where she has worked since 2004.

Anne worked as a hospital pharmacist, specialising in Medicines Information and as a Clinical Pharmacy Manager, before taking up a regional educational role within NHS Greater Glasgow in 1996 -2003. In addition to these posts, she also had various academic roles at the University of Strathclyde, eventually becoming a Teacher Practitioner in 1996. She was seconded to the University of Strathclyde to set up the first Pharmacist Supplementary Prescribing course in 2003 and was appointed as a Visiting Professor at the University in 2015.

In her national role within NES she is responsible for developing, leading, and managing the strategic direction of defined components of pharmacy education on a national basis within Scotland which involves co-ordination with key stakeholders.

She qualified from the University of Strathclyde and went on to do an MSc in Clinical Pharmacy at Strathclyde (1990) and then a MEd at the University of Leeds (1999).

During her career she has published on a range of subjects and presented at conferences internationally as well as in the UK. Her current area of research is within patient safety.

Anne also has experience as a panel member and Chair of various Validation Events for Technician qualifications on behalf of the Scottish Qualifications Authority (SQA).

In addition, she has been a member of the RPSGB Board of Examiners / GPhC Board of Assessors (2001 – Oct 2011). In 2013, she was appointed as a member of the GPhC Accreditation and Recognition Panel and is also a current member of the GPhC European Economic Area (EEA) Evaluators panel.

Anne has recently been awarded a Fellow of the Royal Pharmaceutical Society (FRPharmS) and a Fellow of the Faculty of the RPS (FFRPS).

Anne's research interests include; Clinical Pharmacy practice, pharmacy education, pharmacist prescribing and patient safety.