



Revalidation for pharmacy professionals

Article for newsletter/ website

We hope you will help us to spread the word about revalidation for pharmacy professionals through your member communications. Please find below a short article that you can use for your member communications and newsletters.

For professional audiences

General Pharmaceutical Council introduces revalidation for pharmacy professionals

This year the General Pharmaceutical Council (GPhC) will begin introducing **revalidation for pharmacy professionals**. All pharmacists and pharmacy technicians in Great Britain will have to demonstrate that they are regularly reflecting on their learning and practice, keeping their knowledge up to date, and that they have the right attitudes and behaviours to provide safe and effective care to people using their services. Revalidation further assures the people using pharmacy services that their trust in pharmacy professionals is well placed and that pharmacy professionals are continuing to meet the standards throughout their careers.

Once revalidation is fully implemented, all pharmacy professionals will have to complete and submit four CPD records, a record of a peer discussion and a record of a reflective account each year when they renew their registration. They will be asked to explain in each record how what they have done has benefited people using pharmacy services. Reducing the number of CPD entries that are submitted has made space for the introduction of a peer discussion and reflective account. And a new streamlined version of the myGPhC online portal is being introduced for recording and submitting records.

In 2018, the first group of pharmacy professionals with a registration renewal deadline of 31 October will be asked to submit four CPD records when renewing their registration. All pharmacy professionals renewing their registration at any point in the year after that date will also be asked to submit four CPD records.

In 2019, the first group of pharmacy professionals with a registration renewal deadline of 31 October will be asked to submit their full six records for revalidation (four CPD records, a record of a peer discussion and a reflective account) when renewing their registration. From then on, all pharmacy professionals will need to submit their full six records for revalidation every year when they renew their registration.

Further information, support and resources are available at <https://www.pharmacyregulation.org/revalidation> by following @TheGPhC on twitter or at Facebook.com/TheGPhC

For patient and public audiences

General Pharmaceutical Council introduces revalidation for pharmacy professionals

The General Pharmaceutical Council (GPhC) is the independent regulator for pharmacists, pharmacy technicians and registered pharmacy premises in England, Scotland and Wales.

This year they are introducing **revalidation for pharmacy professionals**, which requires pharmacists and pharmacy technicians to demonstrate that they are regularly reflecting on their learning and practice, keeping their knowledge up to date, and that they have the right attitudes and behaviours to provide safe and effective care to the people using their services.

Revalidation is being introduced to further assure people that their trust in pharmacy professionals is well placed and that pharmacy professionals are continuing to meet the standards expected of them throughout their careers.

The GPhC will require pharmacy professionals to complete a number of activities each year which involve them reflecting on their their learning and practice, and how this benefits the people using their services. They will need to submit records of these activities before renewing their registration each year.

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