

## **Accreditation and Recognition panel member**

**Name: Shazad Ahmad**

**Team member**

**Job title: Clinical Safety Officer and Pharmacy Consultant**

Shahzad Ahmad graduated from the School of Pharmacy, University of London with a MPharm degree in 2011. He registered with the GPhC in 2012 and began his career in community pharmacy. Following varied roles in community pharmacy management, he then joined the General Pharmaceutical Council as an Inspector in 2015. During his time employed with the GPhC, Shahzad has inspected several hundred pharmacies across Great Britain. He has contributed to several guidance pieces, including the GPhC guidance for safe and effective pharmacy teams and guidance for independent prescribing. He has managed several notable investigations during his time as an inspector and has worked in cooperation with the MHRA, CQC, NHS England and NHS Improvement.

Shahzad has worked as a consultant with several pharmacy training companies and previously held a place on the Accreditation and Recognition Panel as a newly qualified pharmacist between 2012 and 2015.

Shahzad left the GPhC in 2020, to pursue his interest in digital health and to further support the pharmacy profession. He is currently the Clinical Safety Officer at McKesson UK, overseeing a large-scale IT transformation project. Shahzad is a certified Agile practitioner and a current member of the Faculty of Clinical Informatics and the Pharmacy Law and Ethics Association.