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Dear Joanne

**Re: Reaccreditation of an Overseas Pharmacists Assessment Programme (OSPAP)**

Thank you for your letter of 18<sup>th</sup> August 2014 confirming the reaccreditation of the Kingston University Overseas Pharmacists Assessment Programme (OSPAP) course along with a copy of the reaccreditation reports.

I am writing this to formally acknowledge the receipt of the reports and their content. We note that there is one recommendation

- The University should review the provision of practical experience of working with patients, carers and other healthcare professionals. The team recognises that there are a number of activities relating to practice and an inter-professional learning activity of working with nurses but the University should seek other opportunities to develop both of these areas; this was also confirmed by the students. Over the period of reaccreditation, the team heard that there are plans to explore further opportunities to inter-professional learning and to increase patient contact. The team looks forward to the interim visit to check what progress has been made in these areas. This relates to criterion 5.6

The School appreciates that the Council recognises the work already done in this area. The School will continue to work with colleagues in other academic disciplines and external collaborators to widen the scope of inter-professional learning in the learning activities and the nature of the healthcare professionals for both the OSPAP and MPharm students.

The School would like to thank the GPhC panel for the collegiate approach in which the reaccreditation event was conducted. If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely



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