Consultation on revalidation for pharmacy professionals
Pharmacy is changing...

Changing expectations

Changing delivery of healthcare

Changing roles for pharmacy professionals

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Standards for pharmacy professionals

• Core standards for safe and effective practice
• Consulted upon from April to June 2016
• Agreed by GPhC council in November 2016
• Came into effect on 12 May 2017

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What is revalidation for pharmacy professionals?

A framework to further assure users of pharmacy services that their trust in pharmacy professionals is well placed and that pharmacy professionals are continuing to meet the standards throughout their careers.
Why is it being introduced?

• Further assure users of pharmacy services that pharmacy professionals are safe and effective beyond initial registration

• Encourage pharmacy professionals to reflect on their learning and practice and how it benefits those using pharmacy services

• Make recording simpler, but more focused on what really matters to pharmacy professionals and the people using their services

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What is changing?

- Reduce and simplify the recording requirements for CPD
- Introduce a peer discussion and a reflective account
- Simplify standards and guidance
- Ask for records to be submitted each year at the same time as renewal of registration
- Improve the review of submitted records
What will pharmacy professionals need to do?

• 4 CPD activities (2 of which must be planned)
• 1 peer discussion, where they discuss their practice with someone who understands their practice
• 1 reflective account, about how they have met one or more of the standards for pharmacy professionals in their practice and how this benefits people using pharmacy services
How will it work?

Annual requirement

- 4 CPD records
- 1 peer discussion record
- 1 reflective account record

Continuous activity by you

Submission at annual renewal

Random and targeted audit

Audit by

- A pharmacy professional and lay person
- Leading to tailored feedback
How were the proposals developed?

• Researching and testing what works best for the many different contexts and settings of pharmacy practice
• Piloting with over 1300 volunteers
• Evaluating the pilot
• Using an advisory group of pharmacy professionals and a patient representative to guide the development
The GPhC are asking....

• What you think about the process covered in the framework?
• Do you think the changes will help to support registrants in their practice and provide assurance that pharmacy professionals remain fit to practise?
• Do you think the revalidation framework overall will achieve its aim of providing further assurance to users of pharmacy services?
• Is there anything else, not covered in the framework, that you would find useful?
• What kind of impact do you think the proposals will have on people using pharmacy services, pharmacy professionals and pharmacy employers?
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