



Postgraduate Pharmacist Professional Programmes

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**Continuing Professional Development
(CPD) for registered pharmacists**

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Transform ✨ your practice

Our Postgraduate Pharmacist Professional Programmes offer flexible, focused learning for GPhC-registered pharmacists. Select from our range of specialist modules to advance your practice, expand your expertise, and enhance patient care.

Aligned with the Royal Pharmaceutical Society's five domains of practice, our programme supports your journey in:

- Person-centred care and collaboration
- Professional practice
- Leadership and management
- Education
- Research



Who are these modules for?



These modules are ideal for pharmacists who:

- Are transitioning into a new specialty or sector
- Wish to expand their prescribing practice
- Are returning to work after a career break
- Are working towards post-registration or advanced practice with the RPS
- Are stepping into leadership roles in education (e.g., Designated Prescribing Practitioner)
- Are interested in research opportunities



Programme Structure

Each module offers a comprehensive learning experience designed to fit around professional commitments. The programme includes 10 hours of flexible eLearning, complemented by a 7-hour face-to-face study day.

Participants also have the option to complete a formative assessment, requiring approximately 10 hours, and a summative assessment, which takes around 5 hours.

Study Locations

Face-to-face study sessions are available at two locations, allowing you to choose the most convenient option: Harlow (Essex) or Norwich.

Recognition

Upon completion of each module, participants earn 10 academic credits. Certificates of completion are available upon request, and the programme provides valuable evidence to support the RPS credentialing process.



OUR MODULES

CORE PROFESSIONAL SKILLS



CORE CLINICAL SKILLS

Pharmacists enrolled in this module will develop the essential skills required to excel as Clinical Pharmacists, practicing both professionally and independently. The course emphasises comprehensive data collection and integration, including physical assessment techniques, alongside key aspects of clinical reasoning. Participants will also refine their ability to communicate clearly and confidently, both verbally and in writing.

CORE CONSULTATION SKILLS

Pharmacists enrolled in this module will enhance their advanced patient-facing consultation skills, with a focus on navigating complex discussions, including communicating risk to support shared decision-making. Training will incorporate simulation-based learning, providing a safe and supportive environment to refine consultation techniques and build confidence in real-world interactions.



OUR MODULES

LEADERSHIP AND DEVELOPMENT



PATIENT SAFETY

Pharmacists enrolled in this module will explore industry-recognised strategies and toolkits designed to enhance safety culture within their organisations and improve patient safety outcomes. Grounded in the NHS Patient Safety Syllabus, developed by the Academy of Medical Colleges in collaboration with NHS England, this module provides a comprehensive framework for implementing best practices in patient safety.

LEADERSHIP IN HEALTHCARE

Pharmacists taking this module will be introduced to industry recognised approaches to negotiating complex systems to achieve organisational goals. They will look closely at theories of people, power, culture and change and apply them to their own workplace, starting their journey towards becoming a visionary leader. Through self reflection and facilitated discussion, they will explore pharmacy leadership in the key contexts of Patient Experience (PE) and Equality, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI).



OUR MODULES

LEADERSHIP AND DEVELOPMENT



CLINICAL EDUCATION

Pharmacists taking this module will be introduced to the theory and practice of being clinical educators. They will explore a variety of learning support techniques, including enhancing technologies. They will use these to design effective educational interventions that optimise clinical and professional behaviour in practice.

RESEARCH

Pharmacists taking this module will develop the knowledge and skills to enable them to develop their own research, quality improvement project or service evaluation. This module is designed to develop practice-based research skills in pharmacists to facilitate the delivery of evidence-based pharmaceutical care and to nurture understanding of how to create new evidence to expand the frontiers of pharmacy practice.



OUR MODULES

CLINICAL SPECIALITIES



CARE OF THE OLDER PATIENT

Pharmacists taking this module will be introduced to the complex clinical discipline of Older People's Medicine and the key pharmaceutical care considerations needed to safely and effectively manage this cohort of patients. Skills in high level medication review, information management and integration across care settings are particularly prioritised for development.

CARE OF THE SURGICAL PATIENT

Pharmacists taking this module will be able to predict and assess the impact of a range of surgeries on pharmaceutical care needs. They will plan for safe, optimal medicines use around key priorities that are demonstrated to improve surgical outcomes throughout the pre-, peri- and postoperative stages of care.



OUR MODULES

CLINICAL SPECIALITIES



INFECTIOUS DISEASES AND ANTIMICROBIALS

Pharmacists taking this module will be able to integrate the key clinical and public health considerations to deliver pharmaceutical care to a range of patients affected by infectious disease. There is a particular focus on antimicrobial stewardship, antibiotic choice, and monitoring.

THERAPUTICS FOR MENTAL HEALTH (NON-SPECIALISTS)

Pharmacists taking this module will be able to plan for the safe and effective pharmaceutical management of the care of patients with acute mental health disorders or mental health-related comorbidities alongside physical illness, in presentations relevant to their place of practice. There is a focus on patient-centred, evidenced based care as well as pragmatic considerations, all underpinned by the relevant medicolegal frameworks.



OUR MODULES

CLINICAL SPECIALITIES



MANAGEMENT OF CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE

Pharmacists taking this module will be able to integrate the key clinical and public health consideration to deliver pharmaceutical care to a range of patients experiencing acute and chronic cardiac conditions, including hypertension, acute coronary syndromes and heart failure.

RESPIRATORY DISEASE

Pharmacists taking this module will be able to integrate the key clinical and public health considerations to deliver pharmaceutical care to a range of patients experiencing acute and chronic respiratory conditions, including asthma, COPD and bronchiectasis.



OUR MODULES

CLINICAL SPECIALITIES



DIABETES

Pharmacists taking this module will be looking to advance their knowledge of and increase their confidence in providing pharmaceutical care to a range of patients affected by all types of diabetes in acute, chronic and emergency presentations. As well as disease pathophysiology and contemporary management there is a strong focus on biopsychosocial influences and a broader public health approach that looks at disease minimisation strategies alongside key therapeutics and the latest technologies.

HEPATOLOGY WITH PUBLIC HEALTH

Pharmacists taking this module will be looking to advance their knowledge, and increase their confidence, in providing pharmaceutical care to a range of patients affected by acute and chronic liver dysfunction. As well as disease pathophysiology and contemporary management there is a strong focus on biopsychosocial influences and a broader public health approach that looks at disease prevention and harm minimisation strategies alongside key therapeutics.



OUR MODULES

CLINICAL SPECIALITIES



RENAL THERAPEUTICS

Pharmacists taking this module will be looking to advance their knowledge, and increase their confidence, in providing pharmaceutical care to a range of patients affected by acute and chronic renal dysfunction, including renal replacement, associated hormonal disorders and renal transplant. As well as disease pathophysiology and contemporary management there is a strong focus on service design and disease modification alongside key therapeutics.

For information on how to apply, go to page 16.

Assessment



Participants can choose their preferred assessment route based on the module type.

Clinical modules are assessed through a 12-minute case-based discussion conducted via MS Teams, while operational modules require a 2,000-word written assignment. While assessment is optional, it is necessary for those seeking academic credit.





Funding options



NHS England-funded places are available for pharmacists delivering NHS services within the East of England. This includes those working in NHS hospitals, GP practices serving NHS patients, and community pharmacies dispensing NHS prescriptions.

For those outside the East of England or working for non-NHS service providers, self-funded or employer-funded places are available at a cost of £590 per module.

In the event you are funded by your employer, full invoicing details and a financial purchase order will be required to confirm your place.



How to apply



To apply, start by completing the [UEA Application Form](#) online. Once submitted, you will receive a UEA registration email. Next, select your preferred modules using our module selection form.

Upon successful submission, you will receive confirmation of your place.

Important: All correspondence will be sent to your UEA email address. To ensure you don't miss any updates, we recommend setting up email forwarding or adding your UEA account to your preferred email client.

Further information can be found on [our website](#).

Contact us

If you need more information, our team is happy to help.

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