

RESPONSE FORM

Consultation on fees 2016/17

INSTRUCTIONS

This form needs to be used together with the consultation document.

Please indicate your answer to multiple choice questions by placing an **X** by your selection. You can also provide further comments in the free text field.

If possible, please send responses electronically using the response sheet below.

Responses can be sent by post, fax or e-mail to:

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The deadline for consultation responses is 12noon 25 January 2016

Respondent details

I am responding: as an individual **or** on behalf of an organisation (please highlight)

Name	
Job Title	
Organisation	
Address (optional)	
Email	
Contact tel (optional)	

Information about you

**** Please complete this section if you are responding as an organisation**

Which of the following categories best describes your organisation?

Pharmacy representative body

Body representing patients or public

Government department

HSC organisation

University

Regulatory body

Other (please give details)

Responding as an individual

**** Please complete this section if you are responding as an individual**

Which of the following categories best describes you?

Pharmacist

Pharmacy student

Pre-registration student

Community pharmacy owner

Member of the public

Other healthcare professional

Other (please give details)

In our consultation summary reports we often include quotes from respondents. If we publish a quote from an individual in the consultation summary report we will not publish and link the quote to the name of the individual.

We do provide a list of the respondent's names at the end of the report.

However, if you do not wish all or part of your response including your identity to be made public, then please make that clear, otherwise we will assume that by responding to our consultation you have given consent to us publishing your name and the content (or part content) of your submission.

** If you wish your response to remain confidential, the Pharmaceutical Society NI will generally respect that request. However, the information you provide may be subject to disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

List of Respondents

Are you content for your name to be listed in the consultation summary report?

Yes

No

Responding as an individual

Are you content for the comments you submit to be included in our consultation reports?

Yes

No

Responding on behalf of an organisation

Are you content for the comments you submit to be attributed to your organisation in our consultation reports?

Yes

No

Consultation questions

Q1. Do you agree with the Council's proposal to amend the 1994 General Regulations to the extent identified in this consultation paper and the attached draft amending regulations, pending a more comprehensive review of the overall fee charging structure?

Yes

No

Unsure

Further comments

Q2. Do you accept that we have provided adequate information to explain the proposed fees and associated increases or amendments?

Yes

No

Unsure

Further comments

Q3. Do you agree that we have provided sufficient information on student registration and (pre-registration) examination fees to explain the proposed increases?

Yes

No

Unsure

Further comments

Q4. Do you regard the overall proposals for fee increases for 2016/2017 to be fair and reasonable?

Yes

No

Unsure

Further comments

Q5. Do you regard it as reasonable and proper for the fees charged for registration and retention to be used to cover the general running costs of the Society and to ensure the performance of its statutory functions?

Yes

No

Unsure

Further comments

Q.6 Do you regard it as reasonable and fair that the retention fee and the registration fee are the same on the basis put forward by the Council that the general costs of the Society should be borne by all fully qualified registrants equally?

Yes No Unsure

Further comments

Q7. Do you regard it as reasonable and fair that there should be no distinction made, on the basis of age, to the fee charged to registrants for retention on the Register?

Yes No Unsure

Further comments

Q.8 Do you regard it as reasonable and fair that there should be no distinction made, on the basis of location to the fee charged to registrants for retention on the Register?

Yes

No

Unsure

Further comments

Q.9 Do you regard it as reasonable and fair that the same fee structure should apply to all registrants seeking to be retained on the Register?

Yes

No

Unsure

Further comments

Q10. Do you agree that the Council should amend the Pharmaceutical Society of Northern Ireland (General) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1994 to revoke Regulation 4(2)(a) to remove the non-resident retention fee category?

Yes

No

Unsure

Further comments

Q11. Do you agree that the Council should amend the Pharmaceutical Society of Northern Ireland (General) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1994 to revoke Regulation 4(2)(b) to remove the over 65s retention fee category?

Yes

No

Unsure

Further comments

Q12. Do you agree that the Council should amend the Pharmaceutical Society of Northern Ireland (General) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1994 to revoke Regulation 4(2)(c) to remove the 70s retention fee category?

Yes

No

Unsure

Further comments

Q13. Do you regard it as reasonable and fair that students registering with the Society should pay a reduced registration fee for the reasons set out in this consultation document?

Yes

No

Unsure

Further comments

Q.14. Do you regard it as reasonable and fair that the pre-registration examination fee should be set at a level broadly commensurate with the cost of holding that examination?

Yes

No

Unsure

Further comments

Q. 15. Do you regard it as reasonable and fair that the repeat pre-registration examination fee should not exceed the fee for the substantive examination and remain consistent with it?

Yes

No

Unsure

Further comments