

## RESPONSE FORM

### Consultation on proposed 2020 Continuing Professional Development Framework

#### 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 submitting consultation responses is 12 noon, on Tuesday 21 January 2020.**

#### 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

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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**

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**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)

After the consultation, we will publish a report analysing the feedback we receive. The Consultation responses and report will be considered by the Council of the Pharmaceutical Society NI before making its final decision.

In our consultation report, 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 respondents' names at the end of the report.

If you do not wish all or part of your response, including your identity, to be made public, then please make that clear when completing the response form.

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

### **List of Respondents**

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

Yes

No

### **Responding as an individual**

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

Yes

No

### **Responding on behalf of an organisation**

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

Yes

No

## Consultation questions

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**Q1. Does the CPD framework 2020 clearly set out the annual CPD requirements for pharmacists?**

Yes

No

Unsure

**Please add any comments in support of your view**

**Q2. Do you agree with the proposed approach of having a focused core framework document with operational matters covered off in supplementary draft guidance documents?**

Yes

No

Unsure

**Please add any comments in support of your view**

**Q.3 Do you agree with the proposal to amend the selection criteria for CPD portfolios selected for assessment? This would include:**

- **a percentage, agreed by Council, of all CPD portfolios submitted; and**
- **all or a random percentage of all submitted CPD portfolios in the groups of pharmacists identified for focused selection and assessment.**

Yes

No

Unsure

**Please add any comments in support of your view**

**Q4. The 2020 Framework enables the Registrar to require certain groups of pharmacists joining the register to make an early in-year CPD portfolio submission, in lieu of a submission at the end of the CPD year. Does this provide a proportionate approach in the management of risk?**

Yes

No

Unsure

**Please add any comments in support of your view**



**Q5. Do you agree with the proposal to reduce the assessment criteria from 9 to 6, all being essential?**

Yes

No

Unsure

**Please add any comments in support of your view**

**Q.6 Amount of CPD in annual submission:**

**a) Do you agree with the proposal to standardise the number of CPD cycles to be submitted to between 4 and 10; and**

Yes  No  Unsure

**b) that 30 hours of actual CPD learning activity be submitted, thereby removing the current allowance for writing up time?**

Yes  No  Unsure

**Please add any comments in support of your view**

**Q.7 Pass mark:**

**a) Do you agree with the proposal to change the overall pass mark to 50% to bring greater consistency with postgraduate qualifications?**

Yes  No  Unsure

**b) Do you agree that it is reasonable to change the pass mark which needs to be met to 50% in terms of both the number of CPD cycles and the number of CPD hours?**

Yes  No  Unsure

**Please add any comments in support of your view**

**Q8. Type of CPD - Do you agree with the 2020 Framework requirements detailing that at least 50% of both CPD cycles and hours submitted must relate to scheduled reflective practice?**

Yes

No

Unsure

**Please add any comments in support of your view**

**Q9. Do you agree that no more than 25% of CPD cycles and hours may be evaluated using simulated practice or application to future practice?**

Yes

No

Unsure

**Please add any comments in support of your view**

**Q10. Does the 2020 Framework provide enough clarity on the number of cycles and hours required for CPD submissions made in the Remediation process and requirements for meeting the standard?**

Yes  No  Unsure

**Please add any comments in support of your view**

**Q11. Are any aspects of our proposals that could result in equality and diversity implications for groups or individuals based on one or more of the following categories? If yes, please explain what could be done to change this.**

- **Age**
- **Gender**
- **Disability**
- **Pregnancy and maternity**
- **Race/Ethnicity**
- **Religion or belief**
- **Political Opinion**
- **People with dependents**
- **Sexual orientation**
- **Marital Status**
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Yes  No  Unsure

**Q12. Do you have any other comments about the proposed 2020 CPD Framework?**

Yes

No