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Dear Colleague

## **Chief Pharmaceutical Officer's Pharmacy Leaders Development Programme**

The NHS needs pharmacy professionals who lead in a compassionate and inclusive way to ensure we get the most from the effective use of medicines to meet patients' needs. Developing these leadership skills in our professions is crucial for those who lead NHS departments, services, teams or systems to benefit patients and local communities.

We would like your support in promoting NHS England's Chief Pharmaceutical Officer's Pharmacy Leaders Development Programme as an important contribution to our professions' leadership. Reflecting the priorities of the Inclusive Pharmacy Practice initiative, a key objective of the programme is to improve the diversity of people working in senior pharmacy leadership roles.

We particularly welcome applications from senior leaders from ethnic minority and other under-represented backgrounds. In addition, this new programme is open to senior pharmacy technicians and pharmacists working across the NHS, including NHS trusts, integrated care boards, primary care networks, and community pharmacy.

The programme is delivered in partnership with the Centre for Pharmacy Postgraduate Education, and it aims to develop the knowledge, skills, attitudes and behaviours to help experienced pharmacy professionals become outstanding, compassionate and inclusive leaders. This will help to boost the performance of teams, achieving better outcomes for patients and the public. Applicants should have experience of working in a role with

responsibility for leading strategic and operational aspects of pharmacy services and be keen to develop their leadership skills further.

Applications are now open for this programme until **midday on Monday 12 December 2022**: [CPhO's pharmacy leaders development programme : CPPE](#). There will also be an opportunity to apply in May 2023.

Please register to join our webinar to support potential applicants here: **11.00-12.00 on Monday 5 December 2022**: [CPhO Pharmacy Leaders Development Programme webinar | NHS England Events](#)

Testimonials from previous participants:

*Absolutely brilliant programme. The team were (and continue to be) amazing in bringing out the best in us and being available for support throughout and after the programme.*

*I think it's a fantastic programme that uniquely covers leadership in pharmacy. The networking aspects are a big plus.*

*It is different to other leadership courses. I think it works really well because of the networking aspect, but [it's] also the one time I really feel like I was given the time and space to stop and reflect actively.*

Please share this information with your networks and encourage colleagues to apply.

Yours sincerely,



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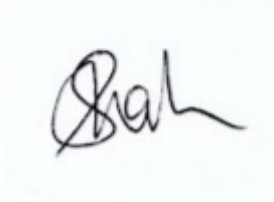
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