

Student pharmacist

A CPPE guide



About this guide to student pharmacist support from CPPE

The purpose of this guide is to outline the support that CPPE and other external providers can offer to student pharmacists, both now and in your future career as a pharmacist.

What this guide covers

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CPPE programmes for student pharmacists

The Centre for Pharmacy Postgraduate Education provides educational solutions for the NHS pharmacy workforce across England to maximise its contribution to improving patient care.

Student pharmacists can learn with CPPE, without charge, using our selected taster programmes for student pharmacists. You can do this by registering with the CPPE website. Our tutors also provide presentations at universities during your third or final year of study.

We also work with the British Pharmaceutical Students' Association (BPSA). The BPSA is the official pharmacy student organisation of the Royal Pharmaceutical Society and represents both student pharmacists and trainee pharmacists. The BPSA host a small number of CPPE programmes on their website. You can attend CPPE sessions at BPSA conferences. More information about conferences is given on the BPSA website.

Topics at BPSA conferences vary according to conference themes. In the past, sessions have been run on antimicrobial resistance, mental health, transfer of care, consultation skills and leadership.

Once you start your foundation training year, you will get a General Pharmaceutical Council (GPhC) number. You can use this to convert your CPPE account to that of a trainee pharmacist and therefore to gain access to our full portfolio. As CPPE is funded by Health Education England (HEE), there will be no charge for you to access the majority of our learning programmes. Approximately three quarters of trainee pharmacists working in England register with the CPPE website each year, and registered pharmacists working in England will continue to learn with us throughout their careers.

CPPE rotates the programmes available to student pharmacists via the **BPSA website**, based on public health agendas and key areas of focus for enhancing patient care. You can currently access the following CPPE taster programmes:

- *Depression* focal point
- *Consultation skills for pharmacy practice: taking a patient-centred approach* distance-learning programme
- *Medicines reconciliation* e-learning programme

Programmes available to student pharmacists who register with the CPPE website, without charge:

- ***Accessible Information Standard – making it work e-learning programme***
- ***Biochemistry: Acute kidney injury case study***
- ***Biochemistry: Bacterial infection case study***
- ***Biochemistry: Drug induced liver injury case study***
- ***Biochemistry: Cardiac markers case study***
- ***Biochemistry: Coagulation case study***
- ***Biochemistry: Hyperparathyroidism case study***
- ***Biochemistry: Iron deficiency anaemia case study***
- ***Biochemistry: Type 2 diabetes: blood glucose and cholesterol case study***
- ***Clinical calculations for pharmacy professionals***
- ***Clinical factsheets***
- ***Clinical history-taking: what a good consultation looks like e-learning***
- ***Consultation skills for pharmacy practice: taking a patient-centred approach distance learning***
- ***Consultation skills: what good practice looks like e-learning***
- ***Consulting with people with physical disabilities e-learning***
- ***Dealing with difficult discussions e-learning***
- ***Influenza e-learning***
- ***Inhaler technique for health professionals: getting it right e-learning***
- ***Mental health cards***
- ***Older people distance learning***
- ***Repeat dispensing e-learning***
- ***Responsible pharmacist e-learning***
- ***Safeguarding children and vulnerable adults: a guide for the pharmacy team e-learning***
- ***Summary Care Records in community pharmacy e-learning***
- ***Your foundation training year guide***

Access to this extensive range of CPPE programmes during your undergraduate studies will allow you to sample our programmes. With so many programmes available to you, it can be hard to know where to start. We have therefore made specific recommendations for you throughout this guide.

The benefits of learning with CPPE

CPPE delivers learning programmes to a high standard, whether face to face or via the CPPE website. We take account of customer feedback and undertake regular evaluation of learning programmes.

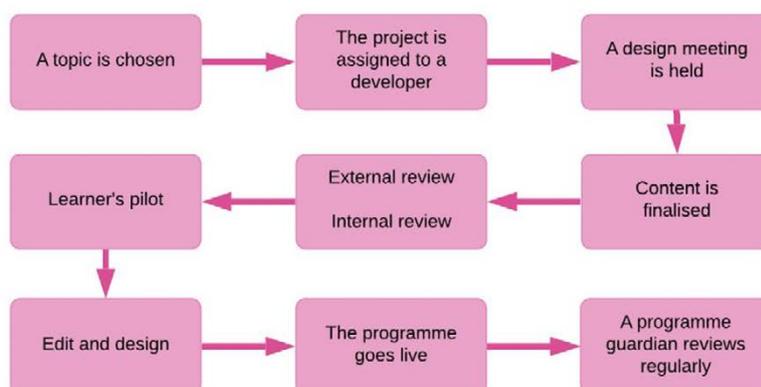
We put the patient perspective at the centre of our learning and in shaping our assessments. Patient care and public interest is at the heart of all our plans and actions. We include patient and public representation in our programme development.¹ We invite patient and public representatives to be a part of our learning programme from the design stage, and they contribute content to our programmes.

“CPPE offers a huge range of high quality, nationally recognised courses to support you in every area of practice.”

Alex Scarbro, BPSA Vice President 2021–2022

Our learning development process is outlined below. We develop learning with subject experts, patient and public representatives, as well as learners, to ensure that we include the most appropriate content in our programmes. The quality of our learning is assured via a review process. Two external experts review each learning programme that we produce, and we ensure that programmes remain current through a regular review process undertaken by a programme guardian who is a subject expert.

Our learning development process



We have a wide range of learning programmes to choose from, including topics in the following themes or pathways:

- *Clinical pharmacy and therapeutics*, for example, our *Depression* focal point available via the **BPSA website**
- Providing pharmacy services where topics include ***Consultation skills: what good practice looks like e-learning*** and ***Medicines reconciliation***
- the *Developing your career pathway* includes a trainee pharmacist page
- *Leadership* – this pathway has programmes to support you once you qualify.

Top Tip

“You do not need to work sequentially through every section of a learning programme. Go straight to the section(s) that are useful to you.”

Emma Anderson, national trainee pharmacist tutor lead, CPPE

Gateway pages

Often, when you start to think about learning on a given topic, you want to know what learning and resources are available. On the CPPE website, we have gathered both our own learning and external resources on topics in one place, called a gateway page. Topics include Transfer of care, Hypertension and Biochemistry, shown below.

To access a gateway page, type the topic that you would like into our search function and then select the gateway page, as shown in the image below. As an student pharmacist, you can use the external resources listed on our gateway pages.



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