General Pharmaceutical Council



Accreditation and Recognition panel member

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Dr Fran Lloyd has a national educational role within Pharmacy in Northern Ireland as an Associate Postgraduate Pharmacy Dean at NICPLD, where she has worked since 2003.

Fran qualified from Queen's University Belfast in 1995 and was annotated to the register as a pharmacist with both the Pharmaceutical Society of Northern Ireland (PSNI) and the Royal Pharmaceutical Society (RPS) in 1996. Since registration as a pharmacist, Fran has obtained a Postgraduate Clinical Diploma, a Postgraduate Certificate in Academic Practice and completed her doctoral studies at Queen's University Belfast in 2009. She is a Fellow of the Faculty of the Royal Pharmaceutical Society and a Fellow of the Higher Education Academy.

Fran's career includes community pharmacy and academia, with the majority of her professional career spent in her current postgraduate educational role. Prior to 2003, she worked as a Teacher Practitioner in both Queen's University Belfast and Nottingham University. In her current role Fran is recognised for her skills and knowledge in the area of education and workforce development at a national level. She manages and leads a national programme of open learning opportunities to support practice and workforce developments nationally within the pharmacy profession and to wider healthcare professions. She is also the Course Director and Lead for accreditation of the Pharmacist Prescribing Programme in Northern Ireland since 2003 (postgraduate certificate level), successfully managing seven accreditations to date. As NICPLD is funded externally by the Department of Health in Northern Ireland, Fran is responsible for ensuring a collaborative provision agreement is in place between NICPLD and QUB for the delivery of this course and is the NICPLD Lead for the associated QUB Academic Affairs periodic review panel.

Through this experience, she has been involved in various National Non-Medical Prescribing Committees over the past 20 years to support the role-out of Non-Medical Prescribing in Northern Ireland (NI) in line with workforce development. Alongside this, she is a member of the NI Initial Education and Training (IET) Reforms: Short Life Working Group, a group convened by the Chief Pharmacist to discuss policy and strategic direction relating to the introduction of the IET reforms to NI.