The future for pharmacy training, undergraduate and postgraduate

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Pharmacy to me

- Pharmacy is at one of the most exciting times
- Huge opportunity and an open door
- Education is much improved and continues to improve. Research informed
- Talk of Professionalism
- Differentiated skills within the multidisciplinary team
- Common ailments and minor conditions
- Optimisation of medicines and application of skills within complex conditions
- Pharmacy and its part in other countries EU and International
- Keep the patient and the community in focus
The opportunity

• Education and what the pharmacist knows
• A worry....Alumni...Public perception. Recent PJ article
• 30-50,000 GPs retiring from the register
• Complexity of care, personalised medicines
• Complexity of diagnosis
• Community practice vs GP
• GP expectation of the Pharmacist in practice
• Must read the future and be forward thinking
• Prescribing. Medical school
To be careful

- Pharmacists can be hesitant
- Self doubt
- PJ article
- Response to too many Pharmacists vs workforce
- We must not sit back and we must explore
- Do medical students graduate as consultants?
- Stage managed consultations looking toward the future
The environment

- NHS workforce planning. Chairman of SSOTP
- Budget
- E&T Reforms vs Budget vs improvement VS GPhC wishes
- 50% Reduction in Community Pharmacies (Keith Ridge)
- What is broken, what are we solving for?
- Financial pictures, must equate to the full picture
My fundamental objectives

- Recognise what we/you already have
- Recognise the Pharmacy professional team
- Maintain the differentiated skills
- Explore further early clinical application of the knowledge. Patient interaction
- Quality of the pre reg year and Quality Assurance
- Support for the pre reg provider
- The reality of the need for CPD and training

All of the above need to be explored and we need to be careful we do not improve one to the detriment of the other. We also need to be careful HEE present openly their objectives.
Back to the environment

• What is meant and what is the necessity of the integrated degree and what is behind this proposal?
• Be very careful in the profession of nodding agreement without fully understanding what we are agreeing to. Logistics, students, needs of provider, selection etc
• Budget. SR outcome vs HEI VS provider.
• Need to be creative.
The Future

• Better profile and recognition of the education pharmacists have.
• Absolute need to build specialism on generalism
• Huge post graduate opportunity for skills development
• Faculty and foundation year
• The consultant pharmacist
• Need to undertake a thorough job in training for new opportunity. Be careful not to under-react.
• The future can be very bright indeed
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Please challenge and question
Issues we are tackling

• Potential for integrated 5 year course New. Mandated HEI and GPhC sign off
• Need for students to exit at 4 yrs for O/S mkt and UK
• S0 4+1 and for O/S (HK and Brunei 4+1 integrated)
• Capping due to Pre reg budget/places. Differentiated skills vs Clinical application of science
• Definition of Integration by DoH, HEE and GPhC
• Quality of Pre reg training and GPhC perception. The “pass rate data”
• Infrastructure support for pre reg
• Quality of Pre-Reg HEI involvement
• 50% reduction in Community Outlets by DoH
• Perception of open Cheque Book (DoH)
• Spending review HEFCE + DoH. Not to panic but to look at all potential contributions.
• Require common sense regulatory flexibility. GPhC a little behind in understanding.