

Integrating non-dispensing pharmacists into general practice

Expressions of Interest sought from general practices

Background

North Western Melbourne Primary Health Network (NWMPHN) has commissioned the Pharmaceutical Society of Australia (PSA) to implement a project to integrate non-dispensing pharmacists into general practices in the NWMPHN region.

Project objectives:

To demonstrate that integrating a pharmacist into your practice will result in improved practice level and patient care outcomes as demonstrated by (for example):

- Improved individual patient health outcomes – blood pressure and cholesterol levels, HbA1C
- Improved patient medication adherence
- Reduced inappropriate polypharmacy
- Improved transitional care
- Improved patient knowledge and satisfaction

Benefits for general practice

- Experienced pharmacist matched to your practice's needs
- Increased time for GP consultations
- More integrated patient care
- Support GP activities associated with MBS item numbers

How to apply

If you are interested in having a non-dispensing pharmacist in your general practice, please complete the attached application form.

Applications close 5:00pm, Friday, 30 August.

For more information contact:

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ABOUT PHNs

Funded by the Commonwealth Department of Health, Primary Health Networks (PHN's) began operation on 1 July 2015 and are responsible for coordinating primary health care and facilitating improved health outcomes in their local community. Melbourne Primary Care Network operates the North Western Melbourne Primary Health Network (NWMPHN).

We acknowledge the peoples of the Kulin nation as the Traditional Owners of the land on which our work in the community takes place. We pay our respects to their Elders past and present.



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EXPRESSION OF INTEREST: Application

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Applicant's Name:		
Name of Practice:		
Practice Address:		
Contact Details:	Phone:	Email:

Eligibility
To participate the following is required:

- Ability to provide a dedicated consulting room for the pharmacist to use two days a week
- Pharmacist will need to be able to access medical software (licensing fee paid by PSA)
- Current PEN CAT software license or willingness to install program (through NWMPHN)
- Onboarding of pharmacist with practice policies & processes

You must be able to tick each of these boxes to be eligible to nominate:

- Provision of an appropriate consulting room for two days per week for 12 months
- Provision of access to medical software for pharmacist (including dedicated login/credentials)
- Current PEN CAT software license or willingness to install program

Expression of Interest Questions

1. Is your practice accredited? Yes No

2. What medical software do you currently use?

3. Why do you want to have a non-dispensing pharmacist in your practice?

Please provide any additional information to support your application