A Practical Guide to Effective NON MEDICAL PRESCRIBING

For Current & Aspiring Non Medical Prescribers

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This important national conference provides an essential update for current and aspiring nurse prescribers.

“Non-medical prescribers are saving the NHS in England an estimated annual £777m, which could be increased further by at least £270m a year if more practices were to employ them, according to a new report.” Nursing Times

Through national updates and practical case studies delegates will hear how to develop and maintain prescribing competence, and how to develop effectiveness in post qualification practice. The conference will look at why non-medical prescribers are not always prescribing post qualification and to support non-medical prescribers to restart their prescribing practice. There will be a focus on the New National competency framework for all prescribers and how the framework can be implemented in non-medical prescribing practice.

“It is essential that medicines are prescribed in a way that is safe, efficient and appropriate to the person taking them. Involving the person or carer in that decision is becoming increasingly important and this framework emphasises that. Ultimately, this framework will help support prescribers to achieve the competence required to prescribe medicines in the most optimal way.” Jonathan Underhill, Medicines Clinical Adviser at NICE’s Medicines and Prescribing Programme, July 2016

“Properly trained non-medical staff should absolutely take on prescribing roles where it’s appropriate.” Prof Neal Maskrey Consultant Clinical Adviser Medicines and Prescribing Centre NICE

This timely conference will update delegates on their responsibilities with regard to maintaining prescribing competence for revalidation and the NMC Code which has included specific requirements for prescribing and medicines management as well as leadership. The conference will include case studies demonstrating prescribing competence and will also focus on difficult issue such as prescribing for comorbidities.

“Independent prescribing is defined as: ‘Prescribing by an appropriate practitioner (which currently includes doctors, dentists, nurses, pharmacists, optometrists, podiatrists and physiotherapists), responsible and accountable for the assessment of patients with undiagnosed or diagnosed conditions and for decisions about the clinical management required, including prescribing medicines’...There are many potential benefits for patients, commissioners and providers...Independent prescribing can also enable new ways of working to improve quality towards delivering safe, effective services focussed on the patient experience. It facilitates partnership working across professional and organisational boundaries within commissioning/provider landscapes and with patients to redesign care pathways that are cost-effective and sustainable” NHS England
## Chair’s welcome: Non-Medical Prescribing: National Developments

**Marion Russell**  
Medicines Management Advisor

## Developing your skills as an effective non medical prescriber

**Professor Helen Young**  
*Director of Maternity and Newborn Transformation/Chief Nurse with Juliette Webster*  
NMP Lead  
Birmingham Womens NHS Foundation Trust

- developing your skills as an effective non-medical prescribers  
- demonstrating compliance with the NMC Code for revalidation  
- what support do non-medical prescribers need  
- ensuring nurse prescribing practice is integral to service development

## Why are not all qualified prescribers prescribing?  
Supporting non-medical prescribers post qualification to make use of prescribing in their everyday practice

**Elaine Lennan**  
*Cancer Nurse Consultant*  
Southampton University Hospitals NHS Trust

- the barriers to prescribing post qualification  
- supporting non-medical prescribers to use the qualification in practice  
- beyond the course: demonstrating continued competence to prescribe  
- the role of prescribing in supporting advanced practice  
- re-starting your prescribing journey  
- our experience

### EXTENDED SESSION: Improving Non Medical Prescribing Practice and competence

**Claire Callaghan**  
*NMP programme leader*  
University of Cumbria

- improving non-medical prescribing practice  
- implementing the new national competency framework  
- developing advanced roles around non-medical prescribing  
- coordinating, planning and designing services around non-medical prescribing  
- ensuring you have the history-taking, clinical assessment and diagnosis skills to prescribe appropriately and effectively  
- keeping your prescribing knowledge up-to-date: accessing education, training and resources  
- coaching and mentoring for current and aspiring non-medical prescribers  
- interactive question session

## Non-Medical Prescribing in Practice: Case studies and focus issues

### a) Non-Medical prescribing on the wards

**Jasmina Davies**  
*Supplementary & Independent Prescriber, Pain CNS*  
Royal Free NHS Foundation Trust

- non-medical prescribing on the wards in practice: supporting nurse led discharge  
- developing and assuring competence in non medical prescribing on the wards  
- prescribing for pain on the wards

### b) Non-Medical prescribing: a pharmacist’s perspective of prescribing in end of life care including controlled drugs

**Gwen Klepping**  
*Consultant Pharmacist for Palliative and End of Life Care*  
Oxford University Hospitals NHS Trust

- non-medical prescribing: my experience as a pharmacist  
- my role as a pharmacist prescriber in end of life care  
- controlled drugs and the use of drugs beyond product licence  
- clinical supervision and assessment of competence

### c) Non-Medical prescribing within a clinic setting

**Alison Pottle**  
*Cardiology Nurse Consultant*  
Royal Brompton and Harefield NHS Foundation Trust

- prescribing autonomously within a clinic: my experience and the impact on patient care  
- diagnostic decision making  
- prescribing to support autonomous advanced practice  
- the impact of non-medical prescribing on my role

### d) Supporting new prescribers: Case study: Independent prescribing by therapeutic radiographers

**Sue Johnson**  
*Professional Officer*  
The Society and College of Radiographers  
Hazel Boyce  
Joint Lead Review Radiographer (NMP)  
Bristol Cancer Institute

- an update from the Allied Health Professions (AHP) Medicines project to to consider extension to supply, administration and prescribing responsibilities for AHPs  
- supporting new prescribers  
- therapeutic radiographer prescribing: case studies in practice

### e) Auditing the effectiveness of prescribing practice

**Tracy Hall**  
*Non-Medical Prescribing Lead & Queens Nurse*  
Staffordshire & Stoke-on-Trent NHS Partnership Trust

- measuring the impact of non-medical prescribing on practice: audit and evaluation  
- demonstrating effectiveness  
- the role of the NMP lead in ensuring effective prescribing practice

## Prescribing for comorbidities

**Jane Camp**  
*Past Non Medical Prescribing Lead*  
NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde

- how do you ensure safety in prescribing for co-morbid conditions  
- the importance of advanced diagnostic skills  
- the classification of adverse drug reactions and interactions and how they occur  
- the physiological changes which occur in the elderly and how these might impact on drug handling  
- physiological changes and drug interactions in older people  
- reducing polypharmacy  
- common conditions

## Legal considerations for Non-Medical Prescribers

**Simon Robinson**  
*Barrister*  
Five Paper Chambers

- prescribing legally, ethically and within your professional boundaries  
- legal responsibility, NMC/GPC standards and accountability  
- legal issues in prescribing

## Questions & answers, followed by lunch at 13.05

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16.00  
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**Prescribing for comorbidities**

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