

Application Form

Independent and Supplementary Prescribing for Pharmacists

Standard programme (8 months or 12 months): Level 7 programme (60 credits): Independent Prescribing for Pharmacists

40 credit module (8 months) as part of MSc in Advanced Clinical Practice with University of Greenwich Faculty of Education and Health

The closing dates for applications for 2023/24 academic year are:

September Cohort	Standard programme – 8 months	02 June 2023
October Cohort	Standard programme – (extended version) – 12 months	07 July 2023
January Cohort	Standard programme – 8 months	13 October 2023
February Cohort	Standard programme – (extended version) – 12 months	24 November 2023
April Cohort	Standard programme – 8 months	19 January 2024
June Cohort	Standard programme – (extended version) – 12 months	15 March 2024

Hospital pharmacists applying for Clinical Consultation Assessment and Diagnosis (CCAD) with Independent and Supplementary Prescribing (HEE LaSE Contract)

December CCAD with April Prescribing	CCAD – 5 months (click here for dates) Prescribing: Standard programme – 8 months	13 October 2023
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BEFORE YOU BEGIN: The Independent and Supplementary Prescribing programme is extremely demanding. It is important to read all the information on the form carefully. You will need to do the following before you apply.

- Discuss your intention to undertake the programme with your organisation Non-Medical Prescribing (NMP) lead prior to completing the application (non-medical prescribing has to be appropriate for your role and the service).
- Ensure that you will have agreed access to an NHS prescribing budget on qualification.
- Ensure that you fit the academic and clinical entry criteria. Please note that priority for the 8-month programme will be given to those with a clearly defined scope of practice. We reserve the right to offer only the extended 12-month programme.
- This is a distance learning programme; you must have access to a computer and the internet and be sufficiently computer-literate to navigate an online learning platform and to download and upload files.
- Ensure that consideration has been given to the impact on clinical workload during your period of study and that you negotiate an appropriate level of support and additional study leave.
- Ensure agreement from a Designated Prescribing Practitioner (DPP)
- Ensure that you can attend all of the **compulsory** study and assessment days. The dates for the study and assessment days of upcoming cohorts are on the website under programme structure.
<http://www.msp.ac.uk/studying/postgraduate/supp-independent-prescribing/index.html>
- Ensure that you are not away from the period of learning for more than two consecutive weeks.
- Please check information from the [GPhC](#)

Guidance Notes on completing the form

This application form consists of five sections. In order to apply for a prescribing programme within this institution, we require you to complete all FIVE sections legibly.

- Section 1: Personal details and working practice
- Section 2: Declaration of eligibility/support/and access to prescribing budget
- Section 3: Declaration of support from a Designated Prescribing Practitioner (DPP)
- Section 4: Funding statement.
- Section 5: Personal intention form.

Only legible and complete applications will be considered at the application panel.

If you would like to discuss any aspect of the application process, please email MSOPPGTAdmin@greenwich.ac.uk

The form

- Download the form and save to your computer before using the fillable sections.
- The pages that require signatures will need to be printed out and signed manually.
- Ensure the application form is signed by applicant, manager, NMP Lead and DPP.
- The statement of funding must be completed.

Further considerations

Please consider the following:

1. Places on this programme of study are sought-after. If you take up a place and then withdraw you will have prevented another student from taking part.
2. If you have taken up an NHS funded place and then withdraw your organisation may become liable for the entire cost. They may expect you to bear some of that financial burden.
3. The information requested on the application form is required by the professional/regulatory bodies and the university. Please take your time to complete it carefully as any incomplete applications will have to be returned to you which may delay your application.
4. If you are self-employed you need to show as part of your application how you will fit the programme of study into your current practice and how you will practically prescribe once qualified. We do not generally accept students who wish to use the prescribing programme as an addition to their career or in preparation for application for a job in the future. There needs to be an identified current need for your prescribing. You need to show how you will implement it and in particular how the prescribing you undertake will be funded. If you are planning to prescribe from an NHS budget, you need to include the signature of the budget holder indicating that you have permission to prescribe from that budget once qualified.

We look forward to processing your application in due course.

**Trudy Thomas,
Prescribing Programme Lead, Medway School of Pharmacy.**

SECTION 1: PERSONAL DETAILS AND WORKING PRACTICE

A. PERSONAL DETAILS

DR MR MRS MS MISS D.O.B.

FIRST NAME:

LAST NAME:

PLEASE STATE YOUR PREFERRED PRONOUNS:

CURRENT JOB TITLE:

GPhC/PSNI REGISTRATION No.:

EXPIRY DATE:

NAME OF EMPLOYING ORGANISATION/TRUST:

FULL WORK ADDRESS:

POSTCODE:

WORK TEL.:

HOME ADDRESS:

POSTCODE:

HOME TELEPHONE NUMBER:

MOBILE TELEPHONE NUMBER :

APPLICANT EMAIL ADDRESS :

Which clinical/practice areas are you currently working in? For which group of patients will you prescribe?
Please state disease/therapeutic area:

What specific unmet needs have you identified for these patients that you feel would be met by your ability to prescribe?

What setting? (acute/GP/community/NHS/private sector/prison service etc.)

Are you currently undertaking any other programme of study? Yes No

If yes, please state which programme and indicate when you will be completing. All University of Greenwich MSc Advanced Practice Students and General Pharmacy Practice Students must complete this section

Have you commenced a Non-Medical Prescribing Programme previously? Yes No

If yes, please briefly state the Educational Institute, dates and your reason for not completing:

B. STUDY PATHWAY

INDEPENDENT/SUPPLEMENTARY PRESCRIBING LEVEL 7 – STANDARD

INDEPENDENT/SUPPLEMENTARY PRESCRIBING LEVEL 7 –PG Diploma General Pharmacy Practice with Prescribing

INDEPENDENT/SUPPLEMENTARY PRESCRIBING-40 credits as part of MSc Advanced Clinical Practice

INDEPENDENT/SUPPLEMENTARY PRESCRIBING LEVEL 7 – STANDARD with Clinical Consultation Assessment and Diagnosis short course module

C. START DATE

PREFERRED START DATE STANDARD PROGRAMME:

January February April June September October

PREFERRED START DATE 40 CREDIT PROGRAMME (MSc Advanced Clinical Practice students only):

September

PREFERRED START DATE PG DIPLOMA GENERAL PHARMACY PRACTICE WITH PRESCRIBING PROGRAMME:

October February

PREFERRED START DATE STANDARD WITH CCAD PROGRAMME:

December CCAD with April Prescribing June CCAD with January Prescribing

QUALIFICATIONS:

The Level 7 60 credit programme leads to the attainment of a Postgraduate Certificate. Pharmacist applicants must provide their degree certificate.

Professional Healthcare Qualification: *(your registration will be checked on your professional regulator website)*

Qualification	Date Obtained

Date of initial Professional Body Registration	GPhC/PSNI number

Academic qualifications e.g. Diploma, Degree or Masters (Levels 5, 6 or 7):
(You will be asked to submit copies of your certificates should you be awarded a place on the programme)

Name of Course/Module	Academic Level	Date obtained	Awarding Body

D. PERSONAL STATEMENT

On the next page please write a personal statement in support of your application. This should be an academic, referenced and reflective piece of around 1000 words detailing:

- The therapeutic area you will be prescribing in (your 'Scope of Practice') i.e. respiratory conditions within the community setting.
- Please indicate the length of time you have been working in this area, and the number of hours per week that you work. (You are required to demonstrate a minimum of two years', equivalent appropriate patient-facing experience).
- Your competence and experience which will enable you to meet the requirement of the prescribing programme.
- The skills you will bring to the role including clinical/health assessment, diagnostics/care management and planning and evaluation of care.

Please provide evidence, for example;

- Previous education experience
- CPD in relevant area of prescribing
- Personal statement which details examples of
 - Patient facing experience
 - Clinical prescribing experience
 - Participation in clinical interventions and medicines optimisation
 - Experience in multidisciplinary aspects of prescribing
- Clarify the medicines and clinical governance arrangements in place to support safe and effective independent prescribing
- The benefits for the patient and (where applicable) the NHS.
- Realistic details of how Non-Medical Prescribing will fit into your practice and how it will be funded if self-employed or a community pharmacist
- How you reflect on your own performance currently?
- Identified support networks accessible to you whilst undertaking the programme, including confirmation that you will have appropriate supervised practice in the clinical area in which you are expected to prescribe.

Please indicate why you have chosen the DPP that you have selected, referring to the RPS guidance on DPP competencies

<https://www.rpharms.com/Portals/0/RPS%20document%20library/Open%20access/Professional%20standards/DPP%20Framework/DPP%20competency%20framework%20Dec%202019.pdf?ver=2019-12-18-150746-160>

Reflective Personal Statement – Student Name:

Academic References – i.e. supportive literature cited in your Personal Statement¹.

¹ This is **not** the same as an academic referee (i.e., a named person).

SECTION 2: DECLARATIONS OF ELIGIBILITY/SUPPORT/AND ACCESS TO PRESCRIBING BUDGET

STUDENT NAME:

TO BE COMPLETED THE APPLICANT and confirmed by manager²

Please indicate yes or no on all the following statements to confirm:	Yes	No
I am an employee with a minimum of two years' post-registration clinical experience (or part-time equivalent) in the UK		
I have at least one year's experience in the clinical area in which I intend to prescribe		
I have sufficient therapeutic knowledge and skills in my chosen clinical area to enable me to become a competent prescriber.		
There is clinical need for me to prescribe within my current role.		
I demonstrate appropriate numeracy skills. We strongly recommend that all students undertake a numeracy assessment before attending the programme.		
I will be supported with appropriate Continuing Professional Development once I am qualified including access to appropriate supervised practice in the clinical area in which I am expected to prescribe		
The suitability of this application has been discussed with the NMP lead for the organisation		
I have access to a computer and the internet.		
On registration as a prescriber do you intend to be issuing NHS FP10 prescriptions?		
Community Pharmacists: If you intend to issue NHS FP10 prescriptions in your future prescribing practice, please include evidence that the local ICS has agreed access to a prescribing budget once you have qualified.		
Prescribing Programme (ALL Applicants) I will be given 9 study days to attend the university, time to attend assessments and a minimum of 90 hours (12 days x 7.5hr) supervised learning in a practice environment.		
In line with the GPhC guidance that all prescribing courses will involve a minimum of 26 days of teaching and learning activity we recommend students are given up to 17 days (or equivalent hours) of additional study time to enable the distance learning elements of the Prescribing Programme to be met. A discussion between the line/service manager and the applicant regarding additional study time has taken place (complete the amount below) Please state the expected additional study time agreed: _____ days OR _____ hours		
Clinical Consultation Assessment and Diagnosis (CCAD) Module (HEE LaSE sponsored applicants) I will be given leave of a total of 6 days to attend 5 study days at the university and one assessment day. This is separate from the study days and time agreed above for the prescribing programme.		

² This section **must** be completed by an appropriate other if you are self-employed.

AGREEMENTS³

I agree that the information on page 7 (DECLARATION OF SUPPORT) is accurate and that I support the applicant for this programme of study (to be completed by manager)⁴.

NAME OF MANAGER:

CURRENT JOB TITLE:

ORGANISATION EMAIL ADDRESS:

TELEPHONE:

SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____

I agree that that the information on page 7 (DECLARATION OF SUPPORT / ACCESS TO PRESCRIBING BUDGET) is accurate, that this application is appropriate for patient services and that this practitioner will have access to the prescribing budget associated with the role identified (to be completed by NMP Lead or other budget holder who should also complete section 4). You may leave this blank if the prescribing service you will be offering will not use an NHS budget⁵.

NAME OF NMP LEAD / BUDGET HOLDER:

EMAIL ADDRESS:

TELEPHONE:

SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____

³ We **cannot** accept E-signatures. You must print this page have it signed and return to us as a scan.

⁴ This section **must** be completed by an appropriate other if you are self-employed.

⁵ This is not confirmation of sponsorship for programme fees

SECTION 3: DECLARATION OF SUPPORT FROM A DESIGNATED PRESCRIBING PRACTITIONER (DPP)⁶

FULL NAME OF MEDICAL PRACTITIONER:

CONTACT ADDRESS:

POSTCODE:

EMAIL ADDRESS:

TELEPHONE:

QUALIFICATIONS:

GMC/NMC/HCPC/GPhC REGISTRATION NUMBER:

Please supply the following information to ensure the criteria are met for the supervision in practice of trainee pharmacist prescribers.

STUDENT NAME:

Are you a registered practitioner who:

	YES	NO
1. Has had at least three years prescribing registration, knowledge, experience and responsibility for a group of patients/clients in the scope of practice for which the applicant will prescribe?		
2. And are you trained and/or experience in supporting and supervising students, providing feedback on their progress towards, and achievement of, proficiencies and skills?		
OR: A specialist registrar, clinical assistant or a consultant within an NHS Trust or other NHS employer?		
3. And have you: The support of the employing organisation to act as the Designated Prescribing Practitioner to provide supervision, support and opportunities to develop competence in prescribing practice?		
4. You have active and relevant prescribing competence in the areas you will be supervising, which will allow the pharmacist to demonstrate outcomes in their area of prescribing		
5. You have the ability to assess clinical and diagnostic competence using a range of methods		
6. You have appropriate clinical and diagnostic skills		
7. I have read the RPS DPP guidance and I match the criteria		

Please briefly outline your experience of teaching, supervision and assessment of students.

NB: the DPP must disclose if they are currently under investigation by their professional regulatory body or have been referred to a fitness to practice panel hearing.

I confirm that I have agreed to oversee learning, supervise and support the applicant for a minimum of TWELVE DAYS (or equivalent hours) in the development of their prescribing role during clinical placement

SIGNATURE⁷:

DATE:

⁶ In order to assure professional impartiality the DPP must NOT be related to the applicant or have any personal connection

⁷ We **cannot** accept E-signatures! You must print this page have it signed and return to us as a scan.

SECTION 4: FUNDING STATEMENT

Please state how your place on this programme will be funded.

Complete one of the options listed

Please ensure your name is filled in.

STUDENT NAME: _____

Option 1. STUDENTS BEING FUNDED BY EMPLOYERS (NHS OR PRIVATE)

Please include a statement on *headed paper* from your organisation indicating support for the above named student and details of who the university is to invoice for the programme fee (see [fees and finance](#)).

NAME OF SUPPORTING ORGANISATION: _____

ADDRESS: _____

FINANCE CONTACT EMAIL: _____

*If you do not have the support of your organisation YOU will be liable to pay the full cost of the course fees

Option 2. SELF-FUNDING

I will self-fund the programme and pay via the University of Greenwich online portal during registration should I be offered a place. Non-payment of fees for self-funders will prohibit registration automatically. For more payment information please contact the programme administrator.

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

Option 3. Funding has been charged by the University of Greenwich Faculty of Education and Health as part of the MSc Advanced Clinical Practice

I will self-fund the programme and pay via the University of Greenwich online portal during registration should I be offered a place. Non-payment of fees for self-funders will prohibit registration automatically. For more payment information please contact the programme administrator.

MSc PROGRAMME LEAD: _____

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

Option 4. HEALTH EDUCATION ENGLAND: hospital pharmacists for Clinical Consultation Assessment and Diagnosis (CCAD) with Independent and Supplementary Prescribing (HEE LaSE Contract)

Available to pharmacists employed to provide services to NHS patients in Health Education England London and the South East (HEE LaSE) region who are applying for a place on **Clinical Consultation Assessment and Diagnosis (CCAD) with Independent and Supplementary Prescribing**

PLEASE NOTE: If you have taken up a HEE LaSE funded place on the programme and then withdraw your organisation may become liable for the entire cost. They may expect you to bear some of that financial burden.

I SUPPORT THIS APPLICATION AND AUTHORISE FUNDING FOR A HEE LaSE PLACE FOR THE APPLICANT NAMED ABOVE:

NAME _____

ROLE _____

EMAIL: _____

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

Option 5. Standard Programme HEE contract funding for Pharmacists

If you are applying for HEE funding for the standard programme please confirm the following:

You are a Pharmacist in PCN ARRS role enrolled on the Primary Care Education Pathway (PCPEP) working in England	Yes	No
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If so, please provide us with your certificate at point of application

OR

Community pharmacist working to support delivery of NHS clinical services working in England	Yes	No
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OR

Locum pharmacist working in community to support delivery of NHS clinical services working in England	Yes	No
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OR

Pharmacist working to provide primary care services (e.g. working in primary care/CCG/general practice) who is not employed in ARRS role	Yes	No
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OR

Pharmacists working in the Health and Justice system	Yes	No
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OR

Pharmacists working in the NHS managed sector covering activity usually delivered through HEE regional commissioning models working in England (hospital)	Yes	No
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PLEASE NOTE: If you have taken up a HEE funded place on the programme and then withdraw your organisation may become liable for the entire cost. They may expect you to bear some of that financial burden.

SECTION 5: PERSONAL INTENTION FORM

PLEASE CONFIRM ONE STATEMENT BELOW

I do not to my knowledge have a close personal or working relationship with any of the MSoP prescribing teaming team

OR

I have a close personal or working relationship with the following member of the MSoP prescribing teaming team

STAFF NAME:

Note: Where a relationship is declared, this will not prevent you being considered for the programme. The MSoP team member will not be able to participate in the review of your application

APPLICATION DECLARATION:

If successful in my application, I agree to complete the Independent/Supplementary Prescribing Programme. I further agree to utilise my prescribing skills to benefit patients and/or the NHS.

I confirm I have up-to-date clinical, pharmacological and pharmaceutical knowledge relevant to my intended area of prescribing practice.

I declare that I have no restrictions on my practice which may affect my appropriateness to undertake the programme

STUDENT NAME: _____

SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____

APPLICANT CHECKLIST – ALL SECTIONS MUST BE COMPLETED IN FULL

Have you:

- Completed all FIVE sections of the application form?
Obtained the signature of;
- Your organisational line manager if appropriate?
- The Non-Medical Prescribing Lead for your organisation if appropriate?
- Your DPP?
- Indicated how the programme will be funded and included a statement from your employer if invoicing is required?

Please submit your application via email to the following email address MSOPPGTAdmin@greenwich.ac.uk

Any applications submitted via post will **not** be considered.

If you have any queries please contact our Administrative team via email using the email above

How did you hear about us?

Word of mouth

Paper flyer

Social media

Website

Workplace

PRIVACY NOTICE

Student Applicant Privacy Notice⁸

The Medway School of Pharmacy as part of both the University of Kent and the University of Greenwich is committed to protecting the privacy and security of your personal information.

In relation to your application to the School, we process the data that you provide to us via this application form and any additional documentation which you provide to us. We may also process information relating to your application which is provided to us by third parties at your behest.

The information which we process would typically include:

- Name, title, contact details, date of birth
- Application data, including your qualifications, your previous education, employment details and funding information
- Correspondence

We process personal data about you for the following reasons:

- To determine the suitability of your application for the programme / course
- To administer your application throughout the application and admissions process
- To create a record of your application
- To provide you with information relevant to becoming a University of Greenwich student
- To compile statistics about applicants to the School of Pharmacy⁹.
- Successful applicants will go on to make an application to the University of Greenwich which has its own student applicant privacy notice¹⁰

We rely on the following legal bases for processing the data: public task (core or key tasks of universities), a contract with you the individual (including steps before entering into a contract), and compliance with legal obligations.

Relevant Medway School of Pharmacy employees will have access to the application data on this form. We may also share data about you or your application, in some instances, with third parties. Examples of this include:

- If we need to ascertain the authenticity or accuracy of your application (e.g. from examining or awarding bodies, regulatory bodies, NHS organisations);
- Where you have given us consent to discuss your application with a third party on your behalf;
- Where we are required by law or otherwise authorised under Data Protection legislation to share data on your application with official agencies or regulatory bodies (e.g. UK Visas and Immigration and other bodies with statutory powers or authority, and investigating authorities including the police and local authorities);

Data for applicants who do not become fully registered students at the University of Greenwich will be held for two years after the end of the current academic year when the application was made. Exceptions will be where there is an overriding requirement in law to keep certain data, or for public task reasons. Retention periods are based on our retention schedules, and you can request a copy of the relevant schedule. If you become a registered student, your data will be used to form the basis of your student record, at which point the Student Privacy Notice¹¹ will apply.

You have rights as a Data Subject. You can see more information about those rights on the University of Greenwich website. Contact University of Greenwich's Data Protection Officer / University Secretary email: compliance@gre.ac.uk.

⁸ All Health Education England applicants can read the HEE privacy notice here: <https://www.hee.nhs.uk/about/privacy-notice>

⁹ Anonymised to improve the programme as part of audit, or service evaluation or research.

¹⁰ University of Greenwich applicant privacy notice: https://docs.gre.ac.uk/_data/assets/pdf_file/0030/138567/Student-Applicant-Privacy-Notice.pdf

¹¹ <https://docs.gre.ac.uk/rep/vco/student-privacy-notice>