Associate Fellows – East of England Multiprofessional Foundation School

We are inviting pharmacy educators in the East of England, to become Associate Fellows of the Multiprofessional Foundation School (MPFS). This affiliation will enable them to work alongside post-graduate medical educators to design and deliver high-quality multiprofessional learning for Foundation trainee pharmacists.

This is a supported, time-limited project that aims to bring pharmacy and medical educators together, to co-create interactive learning sessions that reflect the real complexity of early-career practice.

Who should apply?
This opportunity is ideal for pharmacy educators who:

- are interested in interprofessional education
- enjoy collaborative working with medical colleagues
- want to develop their educator role and CPD portfolio
- are keen to improve learning experiences for foundation trainee pharmacists

No prior involvement in formal programme design is required — curiosity, collaboration, and willingness to learn together matter most.

What the project involves

As an Associate Fellow, you will collaborate with the MPFS team and local postgraduate medical education teams, including FY2 doctors with a special interest in education, to design, deliver and evaluate a multiprofessional learning session in your local area.

Formats may include:
Case-based discussion or serious game / board-game style learning with a focus on

- Complex therapeutics and prescribing decisions
- Human factors and patient safety
- Interprofessional communication and escalation
- Speaking up, negotiation, and systems working
- The emphasis is on learning with and from each other, grounded in real-world practice for both FY doctors and Foundation trainee pharmacists.

This is a new role for pharmacy educators, and we know everyone is already busy. We are realistic and flexible, so your contribution can fit alongside your usual clinical and teaching work. The aim is for this to support your development and CPD, not add unnecessary pressure

Why this is valuable for pharmacy educators

This role is designed to support meaningful CPD and educator development, while contributing directly to the quality of multiprofessional training.

CPD and professional development links
Participation can provide evidence across key CPD domains, including:
Educational Practice

- Designing and facilitating multiprofessional learning
- Adapting teaching for mixed professional groups
- Giving and receiving structured feedback
- Reflective practice on teaching impact

Leadership & Influence

- Working across professional boundaries
- Co-leading educational projects with medical colleagues
- Influencing learning design at local and regional level
- Supporting early-career professional identity formation

Patient Safety & Quality

- Safe prescribing and medicines optimisation
- Human factors and systems thinking
- Escalation, speaking up, and shared decision-making

Personal CPD

- Development as a pharmacy educator
- Portfolio-ready evidence for appraisal and revalidation
- Recognised Associate Fellow role within a regional multiprofessional school

What support will you receive?

The programme will support Associate Fellows through structured sessions on

- **Effective interprofessional learning**
  What works, what doesn't, and why learning with other professions matters.
- **Using AI thoughtfully in education**
  Practical, ethical use of AI to support case design, facilitation, and reflection.
- **Finding and using evidence**
  How to identify key literature and guidance to inform learning design without overload.
- **Stakeholder engagement and influence**
  Working with pharmacists, medical educators, and organisations to co-design learning.
- **Developing a learning intervention**
  Designing and preparing an interactive case-based or board-game learning session.
- **Testing, refining, and reflecting**
  Piloting the session, gathering feedback, and building portfolio-ready evidence.

How to apply
If you are interested, please complete our very brief **application form.**
No prior teaching experience essential, collaborative working and enthusiasm are key!

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