

PSNC responds to GMC prescribing errors study

Responding to the research “Investigating the prevalence and causes of prescribing errors in general practice: The PRACtICE study” commissioned by the GMC, **Sue Sharpe**, PSNC Chief Executive said:

‘This research is a great prompt for pharmacists and GPs to work together more closely. Community pharmacists are already there, keeping patients safe by acting as the crucial line of defence against prescribing errors. If any GPs have been resistant to working with pharmacists to reduce these errors in the past, this backing from the GMC should encourage them to get started.’

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Notes to editors:

- PSNC (The Pharmaceutical Services Negotiating Committee) is the body that represents community pharmacies in England and Wales on NHS matters.
- The Pharmaceutical Services Negotiating Committee (PSNC) is recognised by the Secretary of State for Health as the representative of community pharmacy on NHS matters. PSNC's main objective is to secure the best possible NHS service opportunities, remuneration, terms and conditions for NHS pharmacy contractors in England. PSNC represents and promotes the interests of 10,500 pharmacy contractors (pharmacy owners) in England. It is the role of PSNC to liaise with the Department of Health and representatives of the NHS in England to negotiate the contractual terms for the provision of NHS community pharmacy services.
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