

## SECTION 2 CONSULTATION QUESTIONS

### **This section has been extracted from the Phase 1 report**

We are very keen to obtain feedback and comment on this report from a broad range of stakeholders. We welcome comments on any aspect of the report. The consultation questions below may be helpful in shaping your response, but please feel free to comment on any other points.

**Please select the items below that are of most interest to you: we are not expecting everyone to answer every question.**

**To submit your response you can either:**

1. Download the Word version of the consultation questions from the web page, complete your response electronically and email it back to us. (This would be our preferred option.)
2. Or write your response and post it to us.

### **General approach**

1. Is the approach we have taken an appropriate one for identifying the future competency requirements for pharmacists? *If not, what other approaches would you suggest?*
2. Are there any additional sources of information we should use?
3. What other competency, skills (or similar) frameworks do you know of that might be relevant to this project? *Please give details.*
4. How do this project and its outputs so far fit with the likely future needs of patients, customers and carers for pharmacy services?

### **Analysis of policy documents (Section 4)**

5. Have we omitted any important policy documents? *Please give details.*
6. What specific points in it/them should we add to (a) our analysis of policy documents; (b) the new competency framework?
7. Have we analysed the main themes and implications of individual policy documents correctly? *Please give details of any errors, omissions, misinterpretations etc.*

### **Competency framework (Section 5)**

8. Is the scope of the competency framework (a) too broad, (b) too narrow or (c) about right? *Please give details.*
9. *For pharmacists:* How relevant is the framework to (a) you personally (b) your organisation (c) your field of practice? *Please give details.*
10. Which of the domains and/or elements would you see as being 'core', i.e. necessary for all pharmacists? *Why?*
11. Should all the 'core' competencies be acquired prior to registration?

12. Should initial registration be made subject to demonstrating that all the core competencies have been acquired?
13. Which (if any) of the competencies do you believe would significantly enhance the service pharmacists give to patients or customers?
14. *For Schools of Pharmacy:* Which of the competencies would you expect current final year pharmacy undergraduates to have developed from your programme by the time they graduate?
15. *For Schools of Pharmacy:* Please list any additional competencies that you anticipate final year undergraduates will be gaining from your programme in five years' time.
16. Are there any domains or elements you would omit, add, combine or amend?
17. Which of the domains and or elements would you see as having commonality with the requirements for other health professions?
18. Which of the competencies do you think can be achieved by other members of the wider pharmacy team to allow a skillmixed approach to service delivery?
19. *For pharmacists, pharmacy students and pre-registration trainees:* Is there any comment you would like to make about your own education and training in relation to the new competency framework?
20. Can the idea of 'professional confidence' be reflected in a competency framework (i.e. the confidence to deal assertively with other professionals, managers and patients)?
21. How should we test the new competency framework?

### **Pharmacy education and training**

22. What types of education and training will be needed to prepare pharmacists for future roles?
23. What are your views on using competencies as a basis for professional education curricula and learning outcomes?
24. What problems might Schools of Pharmacy have in implementing a competency based undergraduate curriculum?
25. How would Schools of Pharmacy view the idea of adopting a more health service focussed curriculum?
26. What implications might this report have for clinical education and training in the undergraduate programme?
27. What implications might this report have for the current pre-registration programme?

### **Future pharmacy practice and services**

28. *For employers, service commissioners and individual pharmacists:* How do this project and its outputs so far fit with your aspirations to develop pharmacy practice and/or services?

## Other issues

31. Are there any other issues or aspects of the report you wish to comment on?

## Information on respondents to this consultation

It would be a great help to us in analysing the responses to this consultation to have some basic information on the respondents. We would therefore be grateful if you would complete the items below.

We may place your written response to the consultation on our website, unless you ask us to treat your response as confidential.

We may use quotations from your response to illustrate particular points. We would indicate the source unless you ask us to treat your response as confidential.

***Please tick the relevant boxes below***

### ***1. In which capacity/role are you responding primarily?***

- <sub>1</sub> Pharmacist
- <sub>2</sub> Education provider (School of Pharmacy, HEI etc)
- <sub>3</sub> Education commissioner (WDC etc)
- <sub>4</sub> Community pharmacy employer
- <sub>5</sub> Pharmacy commissioner (e.g. PCT)
- <sub>6</sub> Other NHS manager
- <sub>7</sub> Other healthcare professional
- <sub>8</sub> Department of Health policy lead
- <sub>9</sub> Department of Health – other official
- <sub>10</sub> Patient/customer/consumer
- <sub>11</sub> Carer
- <sub>12</sub> Professional body
- <sub>13</sub> Patient/citizen/carer representative organisation
- <sub>14</sub> Other representative organisation
- <sub>15</sub> Regulatory body
- <sub>16</sub> Other *please specify*

### ***2. If you are a pharmacist, please tick main sector of practice:***

- <sub>1</sub> Community – retail
- <sub>2</sub> Primary/community care
- <sub>3</sub> Hospital/secondary care
- <sub>4</sub> Other NHS *please specify*
- <sub>5</sub> Pharmaceutical industry
- <sub>6</sub> Higher education (teaching/research)
- <sub>7</sub> National pharmacy body
- <sub>8</sub> Wholesale
- <sub>9</sub> Medicines information
- <sub>10</sub> Other *please specify*

**Contact details (voluntary)**

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**The closing date for receipt of responses is Monday 30 June 2003.**