

Project Title: Development of the Welsh Government response to National Pharmacy Strategy *Pharmacy: Delivering a Healthier Wales* and the three year implementation plan

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Organisation: Welsh Government

Project Description:

Based within the Welsh Government's Pharmacy and Prescribing policy branch and directly accountable to the Chief Pharmaceutical Officer, this project will contribute to the government's response to the Pharmacy vision to deliver a Healthier Wales. It will support the government to maximise the role of pharmacy professionals to deliver the aspirations of its long-term plan for health and social care.

This project would contribute significantly to shaping: how pharmacists and pharmacy technicians are deployed across all sectors of health and social care; how technology and the use of data might be better used to support the delivery of seamless pharmaceutical care; how the contractual framework for community pharmacies is adapted to maximise the sector's role; and how partners are successfully engaged to ensure the actions set out in *Pharmacy" Delivering a Healthier Wales* are progressed.

The fellow will have opportunities to contribute to strategic, policy, legislation and relationship management and practical delivery elements of work as a full member of the Welsh Government's Department of Health and Social Services (DHSS).

The proposal is to immerse the Clinical Fellow in the Welsh Government DHSS working closely with the Chief Pharmaceutical Officer and Head of Pharmacy and Prescribing. The Clinical Fellow would be expected and have opportunities to make effective relationships across DHSS and NHS bodies in Wales to deliver the project. The approach will enable them to understand the government's approach to leadership and quality improvement.

Pharmacy: Delivering a Healthier Wales has been welcomed by the Minister for Health and Social Services, and describes an ambitious agenda for pharmacy contribution to the goals of the Welsh Government's long term plan for health and social care. The 10 year vision includes a three year implementation goals.

The vision is ambitious and wide reaching and requires effective engagement with a range organisations across the profession in Wales. Creating opportunities for more effective use of skills of pharmacists and pharmacy technicians to deliver improved outcomes (better health and reduced harm) through seamless pharmaceutical care, is at the centre of the plan. The fellow will work closely with the Chief Pharmaceutical Officer to develop a plan which ensures the aspirations of the vision are delivered appropriately

The fellow will take ownership of the project ensuring all key stakeholders are engaged across Wales. In addition we will provide opportunities to attend relevant UK wide and Wales meetings which inform the project. The fellow will be provided opportunities to fully understand the role of clinical leaders in a government environment.

Immediate supervisor(s) for the project:

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