



## **Policy and Standards Workstream Report to the APTUK Membership Business Meeting April 6<sup>th</sup> 2019**

I would like to thank the Board of Directors, Professional Committee and Associates for all their invaluable support over this last year.

Policy and Standards workstream has focused on setting objectives for 2019 /20. Review of organisational policies and procedures is ongoing. I have scoped a list of policies and SOPs which need to be updated and have developed a document to include these and new policies.

As an organisation we have supported and influenced the future delivery of pharmacy practice with work we have been involved with stakeholders.

APTUK have been part of the development of the RPS documents recently published.  
Polypharmacy – ‘Getting our medicines right’  
‘The Safe and Secure Handling of Medicines’  
‘Administration of Medicines’

APTUK has also worked with the RPS and GPhC to publish a reflection and learning resource to support all in pharmacy to learn the lessons from Gosport this was published in June 2018.

### **Other Activity**

Worked with Tess Fenn to update the Standing Orders Document.  
Attended the pharmacy show on the October 18.  
Attended the PDIG (Purchasing and Distribution Interest Group) meeting on 7<sup>th</sup> /8<sup>th</sup> 2018.  
Attended Professional Committee, and Board of Director meeting throughout the year as outlined in the meetings attended list.

The work on updating and renewing policies and SOP'S, working with Finance and HR workstreams will be ongoing for 2019/20.

On a personal note, I would like to thank Tess Fenn for all her support. Her tenacity and determination has given APTUK the recognition Nationally and Internationally that we so richly deserve.

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