Leading Pharmacy Technicians to deliver professional excellence for patient centered care

The Association of Pharmacy Technicians UK (APTUK) Strategy 2018 - 2021
The Association of Pharmacy Technicians United Kingdom (APTUK) leads, advocates and represents the Pharmacy Technician profession for the benefit of patients, the public and our members.

We provide advice, information and support to our members; championing and safeguarding the Pharmacy Technician profession and enhancing the education and scope of practice.

To achieve our objectives and goals, APTUK works closely with the General Pharmaceutical Council and collaboratively with the other pharmacy organisations to deliver professional excellence.

**OUR MISSION**

Through strong, influential and representative leadership, we support patient-centred professionalism by encouraging, in our membership, the attitudes and behaviours associated with outstanding healthcare professionals.

**WHO WE ARE**

APTUK formed by Katherine L Miles MBE, to gain recognition, remuneration and registration for Pharmacy Technicians

Department of Health and Social Services Committee agrees to recognise Pharmacy Technicians as a qualified workforce

Significant recognition in NHS as Medical Technical Officers and introduction of the BTEC Level 3 qualification

Pharmacy Technician becomes a protected title

Registration with the General Pharmaceutical Council becomes mandatory to practice as a Pharmacy Technician in England, Scotland and Wales

Revalidation comes into effect for UK Pharmacists and Pharmacy Technicians
Our goals build on our past achievements and are aligned with the UK Pharmacy and National Health Policies. Over the next three years, our activities and resources will be focused on four strategic goals and themes:

1. LEADING: the future of pharmacy and ensuring the professional voice of Pharmacy Technicians is heard
2. EXPANDING: the influence of APTUK, to increase the membership base ensuring a sustainable organisation for the future
3. ADVOCATING: the importance of Pharmacy Technicians in the delivery of transformational and sustainable National Health priorities for integrated Patient Centred Care
4. PROGRESSING: the career pathway and professional development of Pharmacy Technicians and ensuring their future needs are met

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PROFESSIONAL LEADERSHIP WITH PURPOSE

APTUK will deliver our strategic goals by:

1. **LEADING**
   - the future of pharmacy and ensuring the professional voice of Pharmacy Technicians is heard
   - Being the source of expertise and knowledge of the Pharmacy Technician profession
   - Supporting and influencing the future delivery of innovative pharmacy practice and National Health priorities
   - Promoting the Pharmacy Technician profession, foundation and advanced roles, to shape future development
   - Protecting the professional authority of Pharmacy Technicians

2. **EXPANDING**
   - the influence of APTUK, to increase the membership base ensuring a sustainable organisation for the future
   - Implementing a marketing communications programme to promote APTUK professional membership
   - Expanding our organisational structure and support our network of local branches developing a new branches network support programme plan
   - Upgrading our internal practices to improve efficiencies
   - Empowering Pharmacy Technicians to work at a National level

3. **ADVOCATING**
   - the importance of Pharmacy Technicians in the delivery of transformational and sustainable National Health priorities for integrated Patient Centred Care
   - Maintaining links and professional relationships with key stakeholders
   - Utilising professional networking and collaborative working
   - Providing developmental support to deliver patient-centred care
   - Promoting and engaging in research and evaluation to inform on the professional practice of Pharmacy Technicians

4. **PROGRESSING**
   - the career pathway and professional development of Pharmacy Technicians and ensuring their future needs are met
   - Leading Foundation and Advanced Educational and Professional Frameworks and standards to support career progression
   - Advocating professionalism and influencing the advancement and improvement of education, for both pre-registration trainees and Pharmacy Technicians
   - Supporting the Continued Professional Development (CPD) of our members during the transition from CPD to revalidation

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Supporting Pharmacy Technicians Today and in the Future
ADVICE AND SUPPORT

To support you and your role within the pharmacy profession, APTUK will:

- Exclusive support for your professional revalidation and personal development
- Be on hand during your career and professional development
- Provide advice and guidance, opening the doors to a network of contacts
- Help you understand the National Healthcare landscape and any changes in practice

EXCLUSIVE BENEFITS

As a member you’ll have access to:

- Exclusive advice and resources
- Educational and networking events
- A Foundation Pharmacy Framework Champion and local support
- Discounted rates to attend the APTUK annual professional conference and other pharmaceutical conferences and events
- The quarterly Pharmacy Technician Journal
- Free revalidation support

YOU WILL ALSO:

- Have the opportunity to contribute to the work of APTUK and share your views on topical issues
- Be able to use the post-nominal ‘MAPharmT’

Join APTUK by registering online www.aptuk.org
Revalidate every year with our support
APTUK is managed by a Board of Directors (The Executive Team). Under the Board of Directors sits the Professional Committee of National Officers and Associates. Together, they develop, maintain and deliver a clear focus on all aspects of professional practice, linking with the Association’s professional governance, objectives and core priorities.

Our President, Executive Team and Professional Committee of National Officers and Associates ensure the professional voice of Pharmacy Technicians is heard at the highest levels of Healthcare and Government through direct advocacy, responses to consultations, and policy developments.

APTUK holds positions on boards, advisory/stakeholder groups, and committees across the UK. Our Executive Team also write regular columns in The Pharmacy Technician Journal, informing on relevant issues and representing the voice of APTUK members within the wider National Healthcare landscape.