

10th July 2017

Dear Candidate,

As you know, many community pharmacists are extremely concerned about DH plans to empower Pharmacy Technicians to supervise pharmacies via the 'Rebalancing Board'. This simply cannot be allowed to happen as the public will be left without access to the knowledge and skills of the pharmacist. Anything other than a strong and robust opposition to these proposals by the RPS, its staff and elected officials will be seen as a betrayal by the thousands of community pharmacists in membership of the organisation and more than 2 million members of the public who signed a petition in support of community pharmacies and the service they provide. Nearly 500 pharmacists have now co-signed this letter.

Patients and the public know and expect to be able to speak to a pharmacist in a pharmacy at any time, pharmacists in practice are no substitute for this on-demand provision of professional care and advice. In recent years RPS has placed too much emphasis on this emerging role which even by 2020/21 will see pharmacists available in practices on average one day per week. Our professional body must stand up for community pharmacists and their patients.

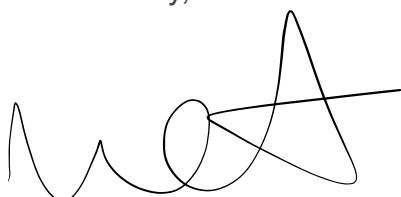
We understand that you are a candidate for the RPS Presidency to be elected at the meeting of the RPS Assembly on 18th July. The RPS President will be appointed as an ex-officio member of the Rebalancing Board, we must therefore seek both an urgent meeting with you prior to the election of the President to discuss our concerns and to clarify your position and approach to these critical discussions. We will send delegates to speak on our behalf.

The signatories to this letter represent a cross section of community pharmacists, and while many are also aligned with other organisations, we write in an individual and personal capacity. There are many more community pharmacists who back our position that a pharmacist must be present in a pharmacy at all times that the pharmacy is open. A pharmacy without a pharmacist is just a shop - this is a situation which cannot be allowed to occur, especially in England where the Government has already begun to deprofessionalise and depersonalise the supply of medicines and face to face advice which we know is so important to the public. With serious ongoing cuts to community pharmacy funding in England, now is not the time to play with such an important and intrinsic facet of our professional and national life.

As you know, the RPS membership is comprised largely of community pharmacists, many of whom are disillusioned with the professional leadership body which they feel has put the development of new roles for a relatively small number of pharmacists ahead of the needs of the vast majority of this profession.

The extremely low turnout in the recent RPS election is evidence of this, sectorally the numbers of community pharmacists engaging with the RPS is low and falling - anything other than a robust, clear and unambiguous position from the RPS, and its National Boards on the issue of Supervision could risk further deterioration of this trust. Our group is totally committed to maintaining the permanent and inalienable link between pharmacist and pharmacy, we very hope to be able to work with you constructively, but please be in no doubt about our determination to ensure that these concerns are taken seriously by RPS.

Yours sincerely,



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