

Marie Smith
CPNI Board Member



Why did you decide to become a CPNI Board member?

I've always had a keen interest in how pharmacy and the pharmacist role is progressing within the community pharmacy sector, particularly in service development and wanted to become more involved in this area. As a CPNI Board member you work alongside external stakeholders and government bodies and have an opportunity to help shape the future of community pharmacy.

Which areas do you represent?

I am the Head of Pharmacy with Boots in Northern Ireland, which is one of the three largest multiples in Northern Ireland.

Do you have any pharmacy specialist interests?

One of my key interests is training and development within Boots. The role of community pharmacy is expanding and community pharmacists are keen to embrace new services. My main focus is to support our pharmacists internally by highlighting new developments and reinforcing the vital role community pharmacists play in the delivery of high quality, patient-centred services. I'm also a Board member on the Pharmaceutical Society of NI Council.

What do you like to do in your spare time?

I am a busy working mum to three young children, so spare time is a rarity with more time spent on their extra-curricular activities than mine! Although, I do try and manage a lovely walk or run most days!

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