# Joe McAleer CPNI Board Member



## Why did you decide to become a CPNI Board member?

I own a pharmacy in a small village in County Fermanagh located on the border with the Republic of Ireland. The region is classified as deprived with a dispersed population providing challenges that are unique to the smaller rural independent pharmacies. I believe that working in this environment has provided me with the experiences and knowledge required to provide representation for this sector on the CPNI Board.

## Which areas do you represent?

I represent the Western area of Northern Ireland, specifically Fermanagh & South Tyrone.

## Do you have any pharmacy specialist Interests?

I work in an area where it's a 15 mile minimum round trip to visit a GP. This led me to an interest in looking at how community pharmacies can provide a broader range of healthcare services to the local population. One way we have achieved this is by ensuring services are more accessible to all by building strong community links. For example we run charity health check coffee mornings and have strong links with the Alzheimer's Society

### What do you like to do in your spare time?

I have a young family so a lot of my spare time is spent catching up with them. When I get the chance I enjoy participating in a range of sporting activities including golf, football, cycling & running.

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