

Michael Guerin
CPNI Board Member



Why did you decide to become a Community Pharmacy NI Board member?

I was a member of the EHSSB Area Pharmaceutical Advisory Committee (APAC) and was invited to join the Board of the Pharmaceutical Contractors Committee (PCC) in 1993, as the Eastern area representative. I later became a member of the Community Pharmacy NI Board.

I wanted to be involved in the negotiations concerning the future direction and role of community pharmacy in Northern Ireland and felt my role as a CPNI Board member would put me in a better position to do this.

Which areas do you represent?

I am the Managing Director of the MediCare Pharmacy Group, currently one of the three largest multiples in Northern Ireland.

Do you have any pharmacy specialist interests?

The economics of community pharmacy. Namely how pharmacy is remunerated and how this has evolved over the years is of particular interest.

Innovation and technology, is another area which I am involved in. The MediCare Pharmacy Group was one of the first pharmacies to introduce robotic medication dispensing systems into Northern Ireland

Over the years, I have closely followed software innovations such as the Patient Medication Record System (PMR) development. I am interested in exploring the capabilities of such developments and how they can make a difference to the world of community pharmacy. I am also the Treasurer of National Pharmacy Association Board of Management.

Do you have any particular interests outside of pharmacy?

I am married with four children and like spending time catching up with my family. I also particularly enjoy getting out onto the open waters as I can pursue my love of boating and sailing. When on dry land, I enjoy a game or two of golf.

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