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## Upcoming

⇒ **10-14 September 2017.** 77th FIP World Congress of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences, '*Medicines and Beyond - The soul of pharmacy*'. Seoul, South Korea

⇒ **9-11 October 2017.** 47th ESCP Symposium. '*Science meets practice - towards evidence-based clinical pharmacy services*'. Heidelberg, Germany

⇒ **2-3 February 2018.** PCNE Working Symposium '*Seamless pharmaceutical care—Supporting the pharmacist contribution to seamless care transitions between care settings*'. Fuengirola, Spain.

⇒ For an up-to-date list: see the PCNE Wiki !!

## The chairman's editorial

Last February we honoured our founding members who invested their energy into making PCNE to what it is today. But the unexpected passing of two of these honorary members, Peter Noyce and Dick Tromp, once again reminded us of the past. Both were still full of plans, that now will never be. Their death made us realise that we can make nice plans, but that we also need to act, plans alone are not enough.

The board is trying to formulate a 'Vision' for PCNE, but if it is only a vision, it will not help PCNE. The question is what we are going to do with it. And from that perspective, 2017 is an important year.

Apart from the vision, the board is also working on updating the regulations. With so many members, of which many were not there at the founding of the organisation, it is important that the regulations are clear, and reflect the intent of the organisation well.

Some other issues are at the moment also important for PCNE, and its path into the future.

Veerle and Charlotte will step down during the next General Assembly (3rd February 2018). We would like to encourage you to think about whether you could play an important role in the family and become the next board member.



And in Fuengirola in Southern Spain, we will bring the work of our working groups further during the Working Symposium on *seamless pharmaceutical care*, so do reserve the dates 2-3 February 2018 in your diary!

**Mitja Kos**  
PCNE Chairperson

## Peter Noyce †

*After a brief but fulminant illness (brain tumour), our founding and honorary member Peter Noyce passed away on the 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2017.*

Peter was part of the group surrounding Doug Hepler, who taught pharmaceutical care at FIP congresses in the 1990ties, and co-founded PCNE. Although personally no longer much involved in PCNE after 2005, he made sure that Manchester University kept its input in our association. Peter was



a friendly, witty and intelligent man, who had the capacity to get things done. We will miss him.

## Dick Tromp †

*Another founding & honorary member, Dick Tromp, died of the complications of bowel cancer, on the 16th June 2017.*

As chairman of the Dutch KNMP, the FIP-Community Pharmacy Section, PCNE, and later also Europharm Forum, Dick continuously stimulated the implementation of pharmaceutical care in community pharmacy practice. Dick was a friendly (international) networking man, always willing to contribute to the development of the profession and prepared to teach. As very regular PCNE visitor we will miss him too.



# Dick Tromp 1947-2017

The PCNE honorary member Dick Tromp passed away on Friday, 16th June 2017. The first symptoms of his illness manifested themselves during the FIP congress in Buenos Aires, last year. After multiple cycles of anti-cancer treatment he finally was recovering during a holiday in his beloved Bergen when a serious intestinal bleeding occurred and ended his life.

Dick was one of the founding members of PCNE, and one of the first chairs. He remained actively involved in PCNE all through the years. He was an important and influential name in national and international community pharmacy, having been chair of the Dutch pharmaceutical Association (1988-1993), Chair of the FIP community pharmacy section, and Vice-president of FIP, amongst others. His focus was always on quality of pharmacy and pharmaceutical care for the patient.

Dick was born in 1937 in Sneek, a town in the North of the Netherlands. As a Frisian, he usually was straightforward in his opinions, but he could also be political when needed. This brought him to a number of influential positions in pharmacy. As chairman of KNMP he stimulated the change of the focus of pharmacists from product to patient with the project 'Klaar om te wenden', sailor's terminology for changing course. Between 1991 and 2002 he promoted pharmaceutical care as professor in Pharmacy Practice and Pharmaceutical Care in Groningen. He supported a number of PhD students, for which he also managed to find funds.

Annex to his own Flevowijk pharmacy, he founded the Quality Institute for Pharmaceutical Care, which furthered his influential work on the quality of pharmaceutical care in community pharmacy.

Cooperation was a key word for Dick and he was very good at networking. This also made him an excellent chairman of Europharm Forum, but he could not convince the European community pharmacy associations and WHO of the value of international cooperation, and the funding stopped in 2015. The work of Europharm was transferred to the PGEU under his guidance.

In the Netherlands Dick was chairman of a group that created the 'Handvest of Pharmacy', a declaration that serves as an ethical foundation under the pharmacist profession, and as such much used within KNMP and internationally.

Dick was a role model for many young pharmacists, and he gladly supported organisations of young and student pharmacists. All the work for

pharmacy, but also other organisations (e.g. scouting) resulted in him not only being awarded the highest medal in KNMP, and FIP Lifetime Achievement in the Pharmaceutical Practice Award, but also the honour of being an 'Officier in de orde van Oranje Nassau', an important national Dutch Honorary Medal.



Dick Tromp in 2002

## Member's Quotes about Peter and Dick

'This is so sad. I will really miss him and will never forget all the things he did especially for the younger colleagues in his unique manner. My thoughts are also in the Netherlands.' (Nina Griese-Mammen)

'I will always remember Dick as a very charming man who was incredibly dedicated and rendered great service to the profession of pharmacy. I enjoyed his company on a number of occasions over the years – I hope he had a peaceful death and did not suffer.' (Ines Krass)

'Peter Noyce gave me my first research job and enabled me to enter academia when pharmacy practice research was in its infancy. He saw the best in people and his high standards and high expectations helped to drive the discipline forward. I will not forget his personal kindness.' (Mary Tully)

'I was studying Pharmacy in Groningen when Dick Tromp launched a campaign of the Royal Dutch Pharmacists association: 'klaar om te wenden' (in English 'ready to tack'). Then, back in 1992, Dick introduced the meaning of pharmaceutical care in the Netherlands. A great job. Dick, thank you for all your work for Dutch pharmacy. In another 25 years you could have witnessed pharmacy changed! I promise I will keep promoting pharmaceutical care.' (Marcel Bouvy)

'It was a sense of shock, substantial loss and sadness when we learned of the passing of Dick Tromp. Dick was a visionary pharmacist who drove pharmacy practice and pharmaceutical care in particular on a national, European and international level forward. He had always time to mentor, especially younger colleagues. Our thoughts are with all his family, but particularly with his wife Ellen and his children and grandchildren. We will miss him.' (Martin Schulz on behalf of the Department of Medicine, ABDA)

'As a fellow countryman and fellow fighter for the rational use of medicine Dick and I knew each other. Only through PCNE and witnessing the last days of Anneke, our mutual esteemed colleague, we really connected. Such a weathered professional, advocate and researcher! What a charming, knowledgeable and wise human being!' (Menno van Woerkom)



# Peter Noyce † 2017



Peter, 2002 Leeds

Peter Noyce was an influential man in UK pharmacy.

After graduating with BPharm and PhD in Physical Chemistry from the Welsh School of Pharmacy, and undertaking preregistration training at Westminster Hospital he was appointed Lecturer in Pharmaceutics at King's (then Chelsea) College, London. However Peter's national profile was established when - as Head of hospital pharmacy services in Hampstead and Islington - he was appointed to the Nuffield Enquiry on Pharmacy in 1983. In 1988, as Deputy Chief Pharmacist at the Department (Ministry) of Health, he was instrumental in introducing clinical pharmacy services in all NHS hospitals in England. He was appointed founding Professor of Pharmacy Practice at the University of Manchester in 1991 and from 1994 till 1998 he was Head of the School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences at Manchester University. Between 2002 and 2005 he was the Director of

the Centre for Pharmacy Postgraduate Education. At the same time Professor Noyce was also UK Medicines Commissioner, i.e. a member of the statutory medicines advisory body to UK Ministers of Agriculture and Health.

Professor Peter Noyce CBE, a pharmacist academic with over 30 years' experience in pharmacy education, research and policy development, has been Co-Chair of the Modernising Pharmacy Careers (MPC) Professional Board since 2011.

I am deeply shocked and saddened by the passing of two colleagues, Peter and Dick, who did so much to advance thinking on, and implementation of, pharmaceutical care research and practice. Their wise counsel, good humour and friendship will be greatly missed by the PCNE family and other national and international colleagues. My thoughts are with their families at this sad time. (James McElnay)

'I will remember Dick as a Quality Person. Quality may be measured by our work and/or by our personality. In Dick's case, both apply. Only a quality person is humble enough to talk to everyone as equals, despite having much vaster experience or reputation.' (Filipa Costa)

'In Peter I lost an admired and 'fun' colleague, in Dick I lost a colleague, mentor and personal friend. I hope the next generations will stand on their shoulders' (Foppe van Mil)

'FIP Vancouver 1997: Peter and I found a nice place at a hill, ordered a beer or more (here is a gap in my memories). While watching (and drinking) until sunset, we discussed the "World of Pharmacy" - driven by Peter's special sense of humour, openness, and politeness! Many minutes of silence were considered both unavoidable and encouraging. How soon is now, but already 20 years later, this day I was privileged to spent with Peter, is in my memories and will last forever.' (A very sad Martin Schulz)

Remembering two superb colleagues.

'By January 1998 I went to Coimbra to meet there all the European colleagues that, in opinion of Charles Hepler, would back Pharmaceutical Care. Dick Tromp was the Secretary and Foppe Van Mil the Chairman of the meeting; by 1<sup>st</sup> May, Dick sent the "minutes" . It was the seed of PCNE conferences that he never failed after that.'

'In 1999 it was again Charles Hepler who introduced Joaquin Bonal to the work of Peter Noyce on indicators of preventable drug-related morbidity, with the purpose of helping some members of the PhC foundation to achieve their PhD. At least, three of them were based on the papers directed by Peter, at his School in the University of Manchester.'

(Flor Alvarez de Toledo)



2012 was the recipient of the RPS Lifetime Achievement Award. In 2008, Peter Noyce was awarded a CBE in

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# PCNE-association News

## New regulations

The board of PCNE is currently working on reformulating part of the regulations for the association, including conditions for some newer developments. Some of the newer articles in the regulation that will be discussed, are following (new text in red):

### 2. Honorary membership

2.1 The PCNE board, or a minimum of 5 PCNE members, may propose honorary members to the General Assembly.

2.2 Candidates for honorary membership must have been active in PCNE for at least ten years, and contributed significantly to the association and its aims.

2.3 Decisions on honorary membership are taken with a normal majority of the votes of the members present at the general assembly.

### 9. Working Symposia

9.1 Every other year, in even years, PCNE may organise a two day 'Working Symposium', to further the work of the Association and its Working Groups

9.2 The Board invites an organising and scientific committee for the Working Conference from the PCNE membership or Board. The PCNE chairperson is automatically chairperson of these committees.

9.3 During the symposia, each PCNE working group can hold one or several workshops of maximum four hours.

### 10. Working Groups

10.1 After proposal by the PCNE Board, the General Assembly of PCNE can designate a working group as official PCNE Working Group, based on a clear description of aims and relevance. The topic of a new Working

Group must be innovative and relevant to PCNE.

10.2 PCNE Working Groups, can use the PCNE logo in their communication(s).

10.3 PCNE Working Groups must be open to all PCNE members

10.4 PCNE Working Groups must report to the General Assembly annually.

10.4 Members of a PCNE working group can end the Working Group only after approval by the General Assembly

### 11. Projects

11.1 After proposal by the PCNE Board, the general assembly of PCNE can designate a project as official PCNE project, based on a clear description of its aims and relevance. The topic of a project must be relevant to PCNE.

11.2 PCNE project groups, can use the PCNE logo in their communication(s).

11.3 PCNE projects must be open to all PCNE members and the majority of the members of a project group must be PCNE member.

11.4 The status of PCNE projects must be annually reported to the General Assembly by its project members.

11.5 A PCNE project has a limited lifespan, and must be annually prolonged by the General Assembly.

The new regulations will be proposed in the General Assembly in Fuengirola, on the 3rd February 2018.

If you have any additions, concerns or comments on these draft-articles, let us know by mailing to the secretariat ([info@pcne.org](mailto:info@pcne.org)) or by addressing the chairperson of PCNE directly ([mitja.kos@ffa.uni-lj.si](mailto:mitja.kos@ffa.uni-lj.si)).

## Call for new board members

In 2018, the board of PCNE needs two new members, because Veerle Foulon and Charlotte Rossing will step down. Ideally the two candidates come from the same country and institute, but this is not absolutely necessary (just very practical). The term is six years, of which the board members serve as chairperson and secretary during two years.

Potential candidates are invited to contact the PCNE chairperson ([mitja.kos@ffa.uni-lj.si](mailto:mitja.kos@ffa.uni-lj.si)) or the professional secretariat ([info@pcne.org](mailto:info@pcne.org)), **before 1st September 2017**.