

PHARMACEUTICAL CARE
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UPCOMING

- ⇒ **23-26 October 2018.**
47th ESCP Symposium on Clinical Pharmacy: Personalised Pharmacy Care. *Belfast, N. Ireland, United Kingdom*
- ⇒ **10-14 November 2018.**
ISPOR Europe 2018: New perspectives for improving 21st Century Health Systems. *Barcelona, Spain*
- ⇒ **6-8 February 2019.**
PCNE Working Conference: Targeting patients and tailoring pharmaceutical care—How to be outstanding. *Egmond aan Zee, the Netherlands*
- ⇒ **27-29 March 2019.** EAHP conference : Personalised hospital pharmacy. *Barcelona, Spain*
- ⇒ **For an up-to-date list: see the PCNE Wiki !!**

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PCNE Newsletter

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Chairperson's editorial

Growing up

PCNE was founded around 1993 by a number of practice researchers as an informal network. In 2003, PCNE was officially turned into a legally defined association. At that time pharmaceutical care and also pharmacy practice research were just emerging. The founding mothers and fathers can be seen as 'visionaries'. They were people with a clear picture of the expected future development of pharmaceutical care and pharmacy practice.

The first version of the regulations describe PCNE as a network for pharmaceutical patient care in Europe. It should support the development of this care by facilitating communication and information exchange, offering help and advice to its members. Our new Vision (see <https://www.pcne.org/who-are-we>) is built on these core values, and thus they are still valid. Or in other words, PCNE is still needed!

During the last decades patient populations, their medical needs and individual expectations on self-management, concordance, and individualised care change rapidly. Additionally the accelerating development of new drugs offers new treatment possibilities at increasing costs. Drug manufacturing and production processes spread across countries, causing challenges for drug quality, safety and logistics – and also for pharmacists' education and profession. Research into the effects of pharmaceutical care in daily practice is needed to improve patient safety and to help us finding the right patients for our effective interventions. To address these challenges, our coming working conference

focusses on innovations in individualising of patient care and their implementation. Fortunately PCNE has expert members and a broad network to address all these fields.

To meet the adjoining sciences and learn the needed expertise, PCNE has grown and enlarged its network. Communication and cooperation between many more friends than the six founders need a different type of organization. Luckily enough, modern times facilitate newer communication techniques. Thus PCNE has made a start in using social media – see our call for sharing news via LinkedIn. And, as addressed in our new vision, webinars can help to exchange ideas and education. Webinars can also be used to present board candidates and even to organise elections. This can be done outside the annual meetings, and online voting can involve all members regardless of their presence at a conference.

A growing network needs a transparent and effective organisation. To allow this, the PCNE bylaws have to be updated. We are looking forward to see you in Egmond aan Zee to take the necessary steps.

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How to be outstanding?

Targeting Patients and Tailoring Pharmaceutical care

Come to the Working Conference in Egmond in the Netherlands!

6-9 February 2019

See www.pcne.org

The Working Conference Deadlines:

- ⇒ **Registration** starts 1 October 2018; Early bird registration deadline: 15 December 2018.
- ⇒ **Abstract submission** starts 14 October 2018; Submission deadline: 11 November 2018 at 24.00h sharp.

The General Assembly in Egmond (9 February 2019) is very important for the future of PCNE.

**Please be
there!**



The Pharmacist Guide to Implementing Pharmaceutical Care



Springer will soon (October 2018) publish a book on Pharmaceutical Care and its implementation.

Through the contributions of global experts, many of them PCNE members, this book meets the growing need to understand the development and implementation of pharmaceutical care.

Written with a focus on students and pharmacists, this book offers multiple scenarios that serve to improve technical skills. The authors, pharmacists who have worked for many years in the field, explain drug-related problems, pharmaceutical care in different settings (community, hospital, home care), research outcomes, communication skills, remuneration of practice, standards, guidelines and indicators, protocols and teaching approaches for universities. Readers will use this book to learn and improve their skills to prevent, detect and solve drug-related problems. Understand the characteristics of care for patients in different settings; Consolidate knowledge from different global research outcomes; Develop and improve communication skills to establish relationships with patients and healthcare professionals; Learn to use indicators, standards, guidelines, and protocols to guide and evaluate pharmaceutical care performance; Use different tools to advertise pharmaceutical care services; and Documenting pharmaceutical care practices and creating evidence for remuneration.

The book is very suitable for use in (continuing) education of pharmacists and pharmacy students. The book is not cheap, but most universities will have an option for their teachers and students to download the book for free, depending on the type of contract they have with the SpringerNature group.

For more information see <https://www.springer.com/us/book/9783319925752>.

First FIP Pharmacy Practice Research Conference in Lisbon



The first international FIP Pharmacy Practice Research SIG conference in was recently held in Lisbon, Portugal, with the support from the Social Pharmacy Department of the Faculty of Pharmacy, University of Lisbon. The main idea of this conference was to foster research collaboration and allow MSc and PhD students to present their research in pharmacy practice. The conference had a free registration, thus it was easier for students to afford their presence. They only had to pay their accommodation and flight.

Awards

There were 246 registered participants. Around 185 researchers, mainly comprising postgraduate students and academics, delivered over 100 research presentations, including 72 posters, thirty 3-minutes oral presentations and ten 15-minutes oral presentations. There were three awards, attributed respectively to the Raquel Varas, with the poster “conSIGUE: Generalisation within the implementation phase. Preliminary results in the first semester”; Valerie Albert with a 3-minute presentation entitled “Insights in POLYpharmacy MAnagement (INPOLYMA) of DOAC patients – preliminary results”; and Sarah Dineen-Griffin with the research presentation “Enhancing self-management support in primary health care: a systematic review of randomized controlled trials”.

Masterclasses

Six 3 1/2 hour masterclasses on various topics of interest to pharmacy practice researchers were held, with recognised experts, focusing on six topics: Research methodology for the implementation of professional Services (Prof. Charlie Benrimoj & Dr Victoria Garcia Cadenas); Qualitative methodology in pharmacy practice research, methods and design (Dr. Charlotte Rossing & Dr. Ingunn Bjornsdottir); Economic evaluations supporting the implementation of a sustainable pharmacy service (Prof. Olivier Bugnon & Dr. Clemence Perraudin); Adherence assessment tools and the development of interventions for the different 3 phases of adherence according to the ABC taxonomy (Prof. Kurt Hersberger & Dr. Isabelle Arnet); Technology-enabled pharmacy: Understanding this new model of pharmacy practice (Prof. Darrin Baines); and Multi-criteria decision analysis to support decision-making in health care (Prof. Carlos Bana e Costa & Dr. Monica Duarte Oliveira). All abstracts will be published in the next edition of the journal Pharmacy Practice.

Networking

The last day of the conference, a networking event was held, after which the organisers announced the intention to foster future research collaboration and the exchange of PhD students. The next conference will be held in 2020 in Lausanne/Geneva, Switzerland. Hopefully some of these established collaborations will already have fruitful results.

Supervisor forum

A forum for supervisors, was also organised. The main ideas coming out of this session were about the networking opportunities, and the positive effect of the 3-minute presentation session, where a very comprehensive overview could be obtained from pharmacy practice research worldwide.

Report by Filipa Alves da Costa

In my opinion, there are two main learning points for PCNE: the fact that conferences in general are expensive and students need to have reduced fees to be able to attend them and share their work; this conference enabled new faces to appear and freely express their opinion. Also because the conference was not overly dominated by professors.

Also, the fact that it was a worldwide conference and not restricted to Europe led to a more visible participation of researchers from other continents, in turn leading to a richer experience for everyone.

Important member news: Call for a Board member

Before 30th November 2018, candidates for a position on the PCNE Board must express their interest by sending a form to the PCNE Chairperson: m.teichert@knmp.nl. The form can be downloaded from the members-only part of the PCNE website, under 'Upcoming GA' or demanded from the PCNE secretariat.

Only those candidates, who expressed their interest until this deadline will be eligible for the election during the General Assembly in February 2019. Contact the PCNE chairperson or PCNE secretariat with any question you may have.

Important member news: New Bylaws

With the increasing number of members, some structural changes to the association have become necessary, including the option for electronic voting. Also, the role and function of observer members has never been properly defined. The Bylaws have therefore been adapted by the secretariat in cooperation with a lawyer and a notary. These new Bylaws will be distributed before the upcoming General Assembly and then put to the vote in Egmond.

Make sure you come to the GA in Egmond, 9 February 2019!



PCNE News

Voting at the next PCNE General Assembly and the new bylaws

On 9th February 2019 the next General Assembly will be held in Egmond aan Zee, the Netherlands.

During this General Assembly, the members must vote on the new Bylaws. For this voting about the bylaws to be valid, at least 2/3 of the members must be present (being 51 members). Observers have no voting rights.

So, if you come to Egmond, please make sure you stay for the General Assembly!

And if you are part of an institutional membership, and the representing member is not there, then make sure that you can act as representing member for the meeting (a signed note is enough).

PCNE on LinkedIn

The last couple of months, the PCNE LinkedIn page has been maintained and expanded on regular bases. Currently, it has 362 followers. We would like to ask all PCNE members to subscribe to updates and interact with the published content: Like, Comment and Share. We would also invite you to suggest content for new updates: if you come across any interesting, pharmaceutical care related news, reports, guidelines, articles etc., please send it to nejc.horvat@ffa.uni-lj.si or info@pcne.org.



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