



Assisted Dying Review Panel – call for evidence

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Introduction

As the regulator for pharmacists, pharmacy technicians and registered pharmacy premises in Great Britain, our role is to protect, promote and maintain the health, safety and wellbeing of patients and the public who use pharmaceutical services. We have a statutory role in relation to system regulation (as we regulate registered pharmacies) as well as the professional regulation of individual pharmacists and pharmacy technicians. Our main work includes:

- setting standards for the education and training of pharmacists, pharmacy technicians and pharmacy support staff, and approving and accrediting their qualifications and training
- maintaining a register of pharmacists, pharmacy technicians and pharmacies
- setting the standards that pharmacy professionals must meet throughout their careers
- investigating concerns that pharmacy professionals are not meeting our standards, and taking action to restrict their ability to practise when this is necessary to protect patients and the public or to uphold public confidence in pharmacy
- setting standards for registered pharmacies which require them to provide a safe and effective service to patients
- inspecting registered pharmacies to check if they are meeting our standards for pharmacy premises.

The General Pharmaceutical Council (GPhC) is committed to maintaining high standards of safety and quality in pharmacy. We will continue to collaborate closely with other healthcare regulators, professional leadership bodies, education and training providers and others to use the powers available to us to achieve our mission of putting safe and effective pharmacy at the heart of healthier communities.

We do not have a view on whether assisted dying should be introduced in any of the countries or territories in which we have a role in regulating the pharmacists or pharmacy technicians working there. We consider this to be a matter for parliaments. We also do not have views on the specific questions raised in your letter about the Draft Assisted Dying Law (Jersey).

If the Draft Law becomes law, we would consider how our standards and guidance could support pharmacy professionals and pharmacy owners in relation to this change in the law. This would include **our guidance on religion, personal values and beliefs**.

We would welcome sight of guidance or codes of practice produced by the Government of Jersey that could assist us in understanding more about the requirements of the service, particularly in the event we were to receive a concern about the fitness to practise of a pharmacist or pharmacy technician registered with us relating to their role in an assisted dying service.

We would also welcome further information in due course regarding the requirements for education and training, as well as the location and storage requirements of medicines to be used for assisted dying.

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