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Pharmacist Prescribing: A Case Study from Scotland

While prescribing has traditionally been restricted to medical practitioners (doctors and dentists), the rapid advancements in healthcare policies and practices have led to the introduction of models of nonmedical prescribing in several countries, with others exploring its potential. Nonmedical prescribing is most developed in the UK, with legislative changes enabling the implementation of supplementary prescribing in 2003 and independent prescribing in 2006.

Implementation is most advanced in Scotland, and particularly for pharmacists, where approximately 40-50% of pharmacists were either prescribers registered with the General Pharmaceutical Council or undertaking an approved training program. Developments in Scotland are supported by the policy driven approach of the Scottish Government, with the goal that "all patients, regardless of their age and setting of care, receive high quality

pharmaceutical care from clinical pharmacist independent prescribers"

In this presentation, Professor Stewart will discuss global developments in pharmacist prescribing, with particular emphasis in Scotland, outlining the requirements of education, training, implementation into practice and the research evidence base.



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