Application for Independent Prescribing Programme

Statement of Purpose/Student Statement

Instructions
From your student checklist, and other uploaded documents, the admissions team can confirm that you meet some of the mandatory criteria set by your professional regulator (see below) but the student statement is used to support this evidence of meeting the entry criteria, as well as determining your preparedness to undertake the programme of study. You may wish to consider some of the following questions when writing your statement:

• Why you are applying for this prescribing programme?
• What experience do you have in your intended scope of practice?
• How does your intended prescribing role benefit patients?
• What support networks do you have whilst you are completing your studies?
• If you are being supervised by a DMP who does not work for your organisation, how will the success of the supervision process be ensured?
• How do you keep up to date in your practice and reflect on your impact on patient care?
• If you are currently studying another programme at the same time, how will you manage your workload?

GPhC entry criteria:
• be a registered pharmacist with the GPhC or the PSNI
• have at least two years' appropriate patient-orientated experience in a UK hospital, community or primary care setting following their pre-registration year.
• have identified an area of clinical practice in which to develop your prescribing skills and have up-to-date clinical, pharmacological and pharmaceutical knowledge relevant to your intended area of prescribing practice
• demonstrate how you reflect on your own performance and take responsibility for your own continuing professional development
• have identified a designated medical practitioner (DMP) who has training and experience appropriate to this role and who meets the DMP eligibility criteria; the DMP must have agreed to provide supervision, support and shadowing opportunities for you

Please write as much as is necessary to provide evidence of the above and upload this to your application. You can choose to write your statement below, so you can refer to the instructions above, or you can upload your statement in a separate document.