

NHS England Workforce, Training & Education (WT&E) London Region – Pharmacy London Independent Prescribing Training Offer for 2024/25 – Key Information

FOR LONDON-BASED PHARMACISTS ONLY

If you work outside of the London area, please see the NHS England Workforce Training & Education Independent Prescribing offer 2024/25:

<https://www.hee.nhs.uk/our-work/pharmacy/independent-prescribing>

NHS England WT&E Pharmacy London Independent Prescribing: Funding eligibility criteria

Funding for prescribing training places will be open to pharmacists who work in the **NHS managed sector (hospital and mental health)**.

Pharmacists working in other sectors of care can access independent prescribing training offers through the NHS England Workforce Training & Education Independent Prescribing offer 2024/25 [here](#).

Eligible pharmacists will need to have (as a minimum):

- The support of an identified designated prescribing practitioner (DPP).
- An appropriate practice-based learning environment in a prescribing setting that can offer appropriate clinical support.
- Commitment to use the skill within your area of competence and expertise, for the delivery of NHS clinical services as they emerge.

Applicants must meet both the NHS England Pharmacy London funding eligibility and the KCL course entry requirements.

General Pharmaceutical Council Requirements

Entry requirements for independent prescribing courses are set by the GPhC in their new standards for the education and training of pharmacist independent prescribers.

Applicants must:

- Have relevant experience in a UK pharmacy setting
- Be able to recognise, understand and articulate the skills and attributes required by a prescriber to act as the foundation of their prescribing practice whilst training.
- Identify an area of clinical or therapeutic practice on which to base their learning.

Further information on the GPhC eligibility criteria for independent prescribing are available on the GPhC website <https://www.pharmacyregulation.org/students-and-trainees/pharmacist-education-and-training/independent-prescriber-education-and-training> .

Kings College London (KCL) Pharmacist Independent Prescribing (PIP) Course – Overview

Detailed information regarding the KCL PIP course, eligibility, course expectations, and application process are available on the [KCL website](#). Learners, their DPPs and employers should review the full KCL application and study requirements before applying.

Entry Points	Two cohorts: Sept 2024 & Feb 2025
Application closing dates	For Sept 2024 entry: Mon 19 th August at 5pm. Feb 2025 intake: TBC in Autumn 2024
Entry Requirements	See above and on the KCL webpage under Entry Requirements . Applicants must meet both the NHS England Pharmacy London funding eligibility and the KCL course entry requirements.
Course length	6 months
Format	Hybrid – 10 mandated face-to-face study days and 2 days online e-learning.
Expected study commitment	Approximately 600 hours – see the KCL website for further details on course expectations.
Study day requirements	10 face to face study days and 2 days online e-learning - Attendance is mandated. Key study dates can be found here .