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## New President for the College of Mental Health Pharmacy Council

The College of Mental Health Pharmacy (CMHP) is delighted to announce the appointment of Juliet Shepherd of 2gether NHS Foundation Trust as its new President.

Juliet first joined the Council of CMHP in 2013, serving as Vice-President for two years from 2015 before becoming President at November's Council meeting.

Juliet qualified as a pharmacist in 1991 and has worked in hospital psychiatry in Bath, Cheltenham, Gloucester and Wales. Her career has included a period of ten years managing a mental health pharmacy dispensary in Gloucester, followed by work as the mental health clinical pharmacist for Aneurin Bevan University Health Board visiting psychiatric inpatient units dotted around Gwent. From 2015 she was Lead Mental Health Pharmacist working in Wye Valley NHS Trust supplying a service to 2gether in Herefordshire, until her appointment earlier this year as Medicines Optimisation Pharmacist for 2gether NHS Foundation Trust as well as maintaining her clinical role in Herefordshire.

Juliet successfully credentialed with the College in October, demonstrating the depth of her knowledge and expertise in the field of mental health pharmacy.

Juliet takes over from Nikki Holmes, who continues to serve on the CMHP Council as Immediate Past President.

Juliet says: "It is an honour to take up the role of President of CMHP. Nikki has done some fantastic work over the past two years and I hope to build on her success. I am very happy that we will continue to benefit from her considerable knowledge on Council."

The College is also very happy to confirm other changes in portfolios:

- Vice-President Ciara Ni Dhubhlaing
- Registrar Roz Gittins
- Education and Research portfolio (now combined) Karen Shuker, Richard Keers and Neelam Shah
- Conference Lead Nikki Holmes

For more information about our Council members, please see: <a href="https://www.cmhp.org.uk/about-us/governance/council-members/">https://www.cmhp.org.uk/about-us/governance/council-members/</a>

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1. The College of Mental Health Pharmacy (CMHP) is a charity which aims to benefit individual care through advancing education and research in the practice of mental health pharmacy.

2. The CMHP Council forms the Board of Directors and Charity Trustees and is responsible for the organisation of the College and meeting its legal commitments. For information about CMHP Governance, please see: <a href="https://www.cmhp.org.uk/about-us/governance/">https://www.cmhp.org.uk/about-us/governance/</a>

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