

## S07-3 **Expectations for primary care pharmacists**

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Pharmacists who have acquired professional skills in the field of primary care are expected to perform various activities as trusted advisors to alleviate health-related anxiety among the general public. This role is considered to be the highest social responsibility for pharmacists. In order to contribute to the sound development of local communities, pharmacists need to be aware what should they do their best in.

The professional skills and necessary knowledge required in primary care encompass a scope much wider than the framework of medicinal care. With a grounding in the basic pharmaceutical sciences, it is necessary for pharmacists to strive for CPD (continuing professional development) to improve their competence.

Efficient CPD requires pharmacists to carry out accurate self-appraisal, form goal-oriented learning plans, diligently participate in learning opportunities, properly evaluate outcomes, reflect assessment results to the next step (plan) and keep repeating the above process. This requires high-quality education provider and self-directed ability of learners. We hope that pharmacists who acquired improved competency by CPD and obtained accredited credentials will gain invaluable society's trust and participate actively in primary care.