

CEPN Project: my experience

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The Surgery

- 4 GPs plus a registrar
- Nurses
- Healthcare assistants
- Physiotherapist
- 9000 patients
- Next to a pharmacy
- Range of clinics



Who I worked with

- GPs, mostly the registrar
- Practice nurse and nurse team
- Practice manager
- Prescription and Registration Team
- Reception



Activities

- Shadowing all members
- Discussing systems in place
- Shadowing and participating in consultations
- Holding my own consultations, call in GP at the end for prescription



Consultation Skills

- Urine dip sticks
- BP
- Temperatures
- ENT examinations
- Peak flow tests
- O2 sats
- Pulse



Why this was important

- Discussed barriers between pharmacy and surgeries
- GP surgeries already overworked
- Role for pharmacists in GP surgery
- Shown how pharmacists can make time
- Shortage of GPs
- Pharmacists are cheaper than GPs



Future

- Pharmacists could hold medication reviews
- Pharmacists could hold minor ailments clinics
- Prescribing pharmacists
- Next to other HCPs if necessary



Could lead to...

- Reduced waiting times
- More appointments
- Save money for the NHS
- More jobs for pharmacists
- Less pressure on GPs



Improvements

- Earlier communication between GP and project
- Move placement away from exam



Thank you for listening
Any questions?