

Media release

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Centralised CPD latest SHPA membership drawcard

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The Society of Hospitals Pharmacists of Australia (SHPA) has officially launched [CPD Central](#), an intuitive online CPD planning and recording tool allowing members to efficiently manage their ongoing, annual education as required by the Pharmacy Board of Australia.

Following a soft launch at Medicines Management 2018, the 44th SHPA National Conference, and national roadshow, more than 20% of SHPA members have already begun plans and records in CPD Central, which features detailed CPD activity and registration information, a 'traffic light' tracking dashboard and a unique 'thought bubble' learning intention feature to help pharmacists plan their path to a minimum of 40 annual credits.

SHPA Chief Executive Kristin Michaels says CPD Central allows pharmacists to easily outline their scope of pharmacy practice and learning needs.

'Members and non-members alike have called for an accessible and functional approach to online CPD planning and recording and we have listened, and now launched.

'On desktop, tablet and mobile CPD Central features an omnipresent six-step navigation bar and a fantastic real-time search function that allows members to instantly add educational activities and events as they building their learning plan, before recording, reflecting and reporting on the impact to their practice and patient care.'

Ms Michaels says today marks the switch from SHPA's previous eCPD site to CPD Central as members' primary location for documenting their CPD.

'While members will still be able to access their existing records on the eCPD Moodle site, they will no longer be able to add to or edit them. SHPA's Education Team are ready and available to assist with any queries as members make the switch to CPD Central.

'We've ensured full assistance and guidance is in place – through [SHPA CPD](#) members can [view FAQs](#) and watch a full suite of [CPD Central guide videos](#) on YouTube to help familiarise themselves with the new platform.

'The video package is open access and we encourage non-members to take a look at how CPD Central works, as a fantastic complement to SHPA membership.'

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About SHPA

The Society of Hospital Pharmacists of Australia (SHPA) is the national, professional, for-purpose organisation for leading pharmacists and pharmacy technicians working across Australia's health system, advocating for their pivotal role improving the safety and quality of medicines use. Embedded in multidisciplinary medical teams and equipped with exceptional medicines management expertise, SHPA members are progressive advocates for clinical excellence, committed to evidence-based practice and passionate about patient care.

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