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This first 2014 issue introduces the Community Pharmacy Section's preliminary programme for the 2014 FIP Congress which will be held in Bangkok, Thailand this year.

The Community Pharmacy Section will organize a session with short oral communications and posters as in past years. We encourage you to send abstracts for short oral communications/posters as always. You may be interested in short oral presentations - then read the article about the 2013 session attached to this issue!

Get acquainted with the Scottish Government Vision and Action Plan "Prescription or Excellence, a Vision and Action Plan" - by reading the article written by CPS ExCo member Martin Astbury.

At last, we say goodbye to an old acquaintance - read the article on Hanne Herborg who will retire soon.

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[FIP 2014 Congress in Bangkok](#)

This year, the FIP congress will take place in Bangkok, [Thailand](#).

Visit the congress site on the FIP homepage [here](#).

The Community Pharmacy Section is already working hard on the programme of the next congress. The theme of the 2014 Congress will be: "Access to medicines and pharmacists today, better



outcomes tomorrow".

See the preliminary CPS programme [here](#).

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Calling for abstracts

Be active at the FIP 2014 Congress in Bangkok.

The Community Pharmacy Section invites you to be active and present a paper at the Congress in Bangkok. You can submit an abstract for a poster or an oral presentation at the Forum for Practitioners. See topics of priority in 2014:

- Access to medicines
- Access to pharmacists and pharmacy services
- Access to information
- Better outcomes for tomorrow

Submit your abstract **no later than 1 April 2014**.

See more on abstracts [here](#), and find the submission form [here](#)

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CPS Short Oral Presentations at the FIP Congress in Dublin 2013

Every year, pharmacists are asked to submit abstracts on selected themes to be presented during the "Short oral presentations" session at the FIP Annual Congress. In Dublin 2013, the themes were "Unmet needs of complex patients", "What are we doing to meet the needs of complex patients?" and "Emerging strategies for handling complex patients".

The abstracts submitted were evaluated and oral communications were selected amongst them. On 4 September 2013, from 14 to 17, the "Short oral presentations of the FIP Community Pharmacy Section" took place, and Ciara Lonergan, from Ireland, was part of the audience and prepared an article about what she heard.

Read the article [here](#)

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Prescription for Excellence – A Vision and Action Plan

By Martin Astbury, FIP CPS ExCo

The Scottish Government Vision and Action Plan a 'Prescription for Excellence' was launched in September 2013. This followed quickly after the publication of the Wilson/Barber 'NHS Pharmaceutical Care of Patients in the Community in Scotland' Review.

The Scottish Pharmacy Board of the Royal Pharmaceutical Society was a key stakeholder in the Wilson / Barber review and is delighted that most of the Board's ambitions and aspirations for the pharmacy profession in Scotland have been delivered within the 'Prescription for Excellence' Action Plan.

Read the entire article [here](#)

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CPS ExCo meeting

From 17 to 21 March, the Community Pharmacy Section (CPS) Executive Committee (ExCo) members will meet in London, United Kingdom.

The Royal Pharmaceutical Society is the host of this meeting, and several topics will be discussed, from session preparation for the FIP Congress in Bangkok, to membership of the Section and planning of the sessions for the 2015 FIP Congress in Düsseldorf.

As always, the ExCo is open to any suggestions and queries you may find relevant. Your feedback will be received with pleasure no later than 27 February and included in the meeting agenda.

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Good bye to Hanne Herborg

Hanne is retiring but hopefully not leaving us!!

After nearly 22 years at Pharmakon, Danish College of Pharmacy Practice and WHO Collaboration Centre for Drug Policy and Pharmacy Practice, Hanne announced that she wishes to resign from her position as R & D Director at Pharmakon as of July 15th 2014.



Hanne has been one of the main initiators and contributors to the Community Pharmacy Section continuing education programs. She was there from the very beginning as a member of the Planning Committee since the activities started in 1993 at the FIP Congress in Tokyo. She is also one of the founding members of PCNE, Pharmaceutical Care Network in Europe. She has done research and taught Pharmaceutical care and pharmacy practice, and she developed and implemented Pharmaceutical care programmes. Thus we have a good reason to call her the godmother of the Pharmaceutical Care in Denmark and in Europe.

She has always been very active and committed in the preparation of the FIP CPS sessions, eg the Forum for Innovators which started in 2007 at the FIP Congress in Beijing. Since then the success of the session did that it was repeated year after year until the Congress in Dublin in 2013.

We in the CPS hope that we will see Hanne as much as possible in the future, too. With her enormous experience, vision and knowledge, we really cannot let her go to pension but hope to see her continue her activities in research and teaching. The collaboration with Hanne has always been easy as she has been a reliable partner with a clear vision and ability to work with pharmacists all over the world. Although we understand that she would like to commit time to her family and especially to her grandchild, we are also sure that the big pharmacy family will continue to be close to her heart.

We want to thank Hanne for her valuable input to Community Pharmacy and her tireless commitment.

We wish her all the best for the future.

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