## Join the PDA Ability Network today!

The Ability Network concerns itself with issues of special relevance to disabled pharmacists within the UK. It provides a structure through which members can work together to proactively address and campaign around disability discrimination and its causes and consequences.

The network was launched by the PDA in April 2020 as part of their work to meet the demands of their growing membership and advance their work on equality. The network's mission is to enable all disabled pharmacists to realise their full potential and raise their profile by being educationally, socially and politically active.

The Ability Network is a safe place for disabled members to share their experiences and support each other.

# Benefits of membership and opportunities to get involved

There are opportunities to get involved and engage in the work of the network. Ability Network members will also have access to a number of PDA and Ability Network benefits, including:

- Opportunities to get involved with the committee
- Publications and factsheets
- Training & education (at member rates)
- Conferences and events (at member rates)
- PDA Plus benefits (discounts and special offers).



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### **Getting in touch**

Contact the Ability Network at <u>ability@the-pda.org</u>
All contact with the network will be treated in confidence
and with sensitivity.

#### JOIN TODAY!



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## **Network highlights**

- Developing key resources such as various newsletters and information about reasonable adjustments
- Raising awareness by delivering sessions at CPC and The Pharmacy Show around 'Neurodiverse and disabled pharmacists, securing workplace inclusion'
- Hosting and guest speaking at events, also creating informal opportunities for networking and support
- Publishing network member articles such as 'Being a pharmacist with schizophrenia' and 'Working as a pharmacist with OCD'
- Lobbying, campaigning and negotiating for equality in pharmacy, healthcare, and wider society

### How to join

You do not need to be a member of the PDA to join, though PDA members do benefit from a discounted membership fee. PDA members can join the Ability Network for £10 per year, Retired members for £20 per year and non-PDA members for £30 per year. In accordance with PDA's support for future pharmacists, the Ability Network membership is FREE for PDA student members and trainees (PDA student and trainee membership is also FREE).

Pharmacists do not need to identify as disabled to join the network. Allies are welcome (people who will support equality and fairness for disabled pharmacists). Join the Ability Network today using this QR code or by visiting - www.the-pda.org/ability.



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You can also pledge your support to be an ally on social media. #PDAability - 'I pledge to be a PDA Ability ally because..."

