

Commonwealth Pharmacy Day - 16th June 2009

Celebration of
60 YEARS OF THE COMMONWEALTH

2025 – Vision for Pharmacy

As part of the 60th Anniversary of the Commonwealth we have offered some thoughts on significant changes over this period impacting on health care and pharmacy in particular. In thinking about the changes and developments that were going to influence their actions, our professional leaders at that time would have, no doubt, spent some time discussing potential improvements or assessing factors that might reasonably have been anticipated to be of consequence. However we may reflect on how close they might reasonably have been expected to get in predicting the impact of emergent new technologies such as computing, the so called therapeutic revolution or the emergence of new diseases such as HIV/AIDS.

CPA Council will of course have an eye to the future as well as giving consideration to immediate issues. By its very nature this will be a little restricted in time frame and by other constraints. However, some “blue skies” consideration unlimited by such restrictions could usefully encourage us to broaden our horizons and lead to modification in strategic thinking or stimulate research proposals.

We invite CPA member organisations and their members to contribute to this process by making submissions of their own thoughts. The pace of change and development is rapid so we suggest restricting time to 2025,

Submissions should be no more than:

- *1000 words equivalent*
- *Should describe the change, its potential impact in health terms and the consequence to pharmacy, either directly and indirectly*
- *You might also offer a view on the strategic options, if any, of preparing ourselves for this change.*

The deadline for submissions will be 30th October 2009.

CPA President, Ivan Kotzé, will lead a review of the submissions and the most stimulating will be published on our website. A prize will be awarded to that regarded as the best submission

As an encouragement and to “pump prime” your thought processes we will be publishing some views of eminent pharmacists from a range of perspectives and countries in the Commonwealth over the next few weeks. Look out for these on the CPA website: www.commonwealthpharmacy.org



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