

CURRICULUM VITAE

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OBJECTIVE

I have 7 years post qualification experience in community pharmacy. My ultimate desire was to return home to Ireland and the time is now right to do so. I believe with the clinical, managerial and business acumen that I have developed over the years, I would be a valuable asset for any prospective employer.

EDUCATION

- Third Level: **Degree of Master of Pharmacy** (2nd Class Honours)
2005 - 2009 University of Brighton, England.
- Second Level: **Leaving Certificate** (Results - 435 points incl. Chemistry, Maths, Biology and Physics.)
1999 - 2004 Mercy Secondary School, Kilbeggan, Westmeath, Ireland.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Pharmacy Manager: Lime Tree Pharmacy (Paydens Group) – Worthing, Oct 2011 – Jun 2017
When I became Manager at Lime Tree, the pharmacy was averaging 23,000 items per month, it was servicing 140 blister-pack patients and providing minimal services. I have grown the business to averaging 27,000 items per month, processing 220+ blister-pack patients and maximising services on all fronts, all on the back of budget and prescribing cuts. It now turns over roughly £300,000 per month and generates an extra £50,000 - £70,000 per annum in advanced and enhanced services.

I managed a team of 27 staff, serving a community of over 13,000 patients.

At Branch level, roles and responsibilities included;

- Staff structure, hiring, training and payroll
- Workload and general efficiency planning
- Dispensing, checking and sales procedures
- Ensuring correct preparation and supply of weekly MDS packs
- SOP implementation, Info. Governance, Audit, H&S, COSHH, Fire Safety etc.
- Services - MURs, NMS, EHC, C-Card, Chlamydia Screening, MARs, Stop-Smoking, NRT supply, Palliative Care, Health Checks and private services
- Design of new dispensary refit
- Cost analysis & flagging of new cost saving measures at branch & group level
- Maintaining relationships with local GP surgeries & other health professionals
- Patient Communications and Complaint Handling
- Pre-Registration Tutoring – trained four pre-reg pharmacists to qualification
- Providing training for students from both Brighton and Sussex Universities
- Ensuring Safeguarding provisions were in place and up to date
- First-Aid training
- Ensuring digital infrastructure stability (Network, Proscript, EPSr2)
- Keeping clinical knowledge at a high level with regular CPD.

At Group level, I have been involved in;

- SOP design and updates
- Cost saving analysis
- Software testing
- Aiding local branches with staffing, deliveries and training.

- Lead Pharmacist: University Pharmacy – Sussex University, Dec 2010 – Oct 2011
It was a single pharmacist operation with no dispensing staff and one counter staff during busier term-time. This involved running the business from open to close, which included evaluating & brokering buying deals for stock with different wholesalers. I worked here three days a week mixed with locum work.
- Locum Pharmacist: Various Pharmacies - South-East UK, 2010 – 2011 (Self-employed & DW. Ltd.)
I worked with Paydens, Kamsons, Lloyds, Co-op, Rowlands and other independents. I became fluent on a mix of PMR software (Proscript, Nexphase, PharmacyManager, Analyst and Compass). This time gave me a well rounded experience of community pharmacy early on. Setting up my own company also gave me good business experience dealing with taxation in practice.
- Pre-registration: Lime Tree Pharmacy – Worthing, 2009 - 2010
I did my training at Lime Tree Pharmacy when it was independently owned. I learned a lot about the running of a private business which I would not likely have learned as soon, had I joined a chain. Training in one of the busiest pharmacies in the country, I developed a cool head and a high stress tolerance for working under pressure as well as a vast clinical knowledge depth. After I left, it was bought by Paydens Ltd. I returned a year and a half later as manager.

SKILLS & ATTRIBUTES

- COMPUTING I am very good with computers. I am currently enrolled in an online education program to learn Computer coding and Software Development. I have designed my own website, linked at the top of my CV. I have many ideas in the pipeline for UK and Irish pharmaceutical applications and web tools.
- FIRST-AID I am trained in 'Emergency First Aid at Work' through Skillbase. This has been reinforced with further First Aid training to accompany a Flu Vaccination Course.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

- SPORT I love golf. Finding the time to play more often is the only problem. I have represented my school and university in Gaelic Football, and have received several medals for underage triumphs. I am an avid football and rugby fan. I also play squash.

REFERENCES

All reference details can be provided upon request. You may wish to request any/all of;

- Dennis Pay – Owner / CEO, Paydens Ltd.
- John McConville – MD / Superintendent, Paydens Ltd.
- Michelle Warner – Owner, University Pharmacy Sussex.