

**Media Release**  
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**Pharmacy Practice Research Trust research  
to be showcased in Parliament**

The Pharmacy Practice Research Trust (the Trust) has successfully competed against many of the country's leading medical research charities to get its work showcased to parliament at an All Party Parliament Group (APPG) on Medical Research event in July.

*Medicines for early dementia - reaching the unmeasured outcomes* is the title of the Trust's research poster which will be one of the 18 projects selected by the APPG panel chaired by its chairman, Lord Leslie Turnberg. The poster will summarise a study commissioned by the Trust which explored patient and carer perspectives over time of the use of medicines for dementia and their impact on coping with day-to-day life.

Beth Allen, Acting Director of the Trust along with lead researcher Denise Taylor, Senior Teaching Fellow, Department of Pharmacy and Pharmacology at the University of Bath will be on hand at the APPG on Medical Research's summer reception being held on 19<sup>th</sup> July to discuss the study, its findings as well as the importance and place of pharmacy practice research.

Says Beth Allen: "We are really pleased to have the opportunity to showcase pharmacy practice research at this event, especially given that we were competing with a broad range of charities, including large (multi-million) research funders. Our membership of the Association of Medical Research Charities is enabling the Trust to have greater influence by

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partnering with the wider research community and this event will provide an opportunity for parliamentarians to witness and understand the importance and relevance of pharmacy practice research.”

The full report of the study “*Living with medicines for dementia – patient and care perspectives*” was published by the Trust last year and can be accessed at: <http://www.pprt.org.uk/Publications/2009Publications.aspx>

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**Notes to editors:**

**1. The Pharmacy Practice Research Trust**

The Pharmacy Practice Research Trust (the Trust) was established by the Royal Pharmaceutical Society of GB in July 1999 as an independent research charity with a broad objective to promote and develop the field of pharmacy practice research. Its trustees are drawn from senior health policy makers, leading academics, industry and retailers.

The Trust has invested around £2m in research; 30% supporting capacity building in pharmacy practice research and 70% on commissioned research. The Trust receives financial support from the Leverhulme Trade Charities Trust and the Galen Trust, as well as a gift in kind from the Royal Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain. For further information and to access reports of Trust commissioned research or for funding/grant opportunities go to: [www.pprt.org.uk](http://www.pprt.org.uk)

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