

DDA Conference 2026

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Day 1 – Wednesday 30 September 2026

Time	Manxman Suite (Main)	Premier Suite (Breakout)
08.30	Registration and Exhibition	
09.30	Introduction and Welcome Matthew Isom, DDA Chief Executive Officer	
09.30	The state of dispensing across the Nations Dr Richard West, DDA Board Chair with Dr Hal Maxwell, Dr Fiona Porter & Ailsa Colquhoun	
10.30 Sponsored session	Aspire Pharma introduction, how we support Dispensing Doctors Gayle Thompson, Key Account Manager The Ease of Use and Financial Benefits of Staladex Dr Reg Rehal, Partner/ACP, West Horndon Surgery	
11.00	Refreshments and Exhibition	
11.30	EPS Across the Nations Dr Mike Barstow, DDA Vice Chair	Understanding the Drug Statement – how are practices paid? Dr Raj Kanwar, DDA
12.05	Controlling Controlled Drugs Dr Stephanie White, GP Partner, The Downland Practice	
12.35	AGM , Matthew Isom, DDA Chief Executive Officer	
12.45	Lunch and Exhibition	
13.45 Sponsored session	Dispensing Doctor Solutions 	
14.15	How the CQC will be assessing your dispensary Dr Victoria Lea, Deputy Director of Medicines Optimisation and IR(ME)R, Care Quality Commission	
15.05	Refreshments and Exhibition	
15.35 Sponsored session	Smarter Dispensing: Unlocking the Profit in Your Practice Dr Ankit Kant, GP and Director of Dispex & Dr Philip Koopowitz, Retired GP and Director of Dispex	
16.10	Regulations and Hub and Spoke Charlotte Goodson, Advisor, Primary Care Commissioning Community Interest Company	MDS Trays – Workload vs safety – how to make a clear assessment Jacinta Edgar, DDA
16.35		Safety: Common Drug errors, High Risk Drugs, Lone Workers and more Dr Ben Burgess, DDA
17.00	Drinks Reception*	

Day 2 – Thursday 1 October 2026

Time	Manxman Suite (Main)	Premier Suite (Breakout)
08.30	Registration and Exhibition	
09.30	Introduction and Welcome Matthew Isom, DDA Chief Executive Officer	
09.30	Improving Dispensary submissions to the NHSBSA Phil Edwards, Head of Pharmaceutical Services and Principal Pharmacist & Mark Gibbon, Business Engagement Lead, NHS Business Services Authority	
10.15	Understanding VAT & PAs Dr Richard West, DDA Board Chair	
10.55	Refreshments and Exhibition	
11.25	What needs to change in the dispensing contract, why are we being overlooked and how can you help to change that? Dr David Jenner, DDA	The DSQS Experience, audits, pitfalls and more... Dr Hal Maxwell, DDA
12.00 Sponsored session	Adapting to market volatility Nathan Wiltshire, CEO & Ula Zelek-Zadlo, Head of Sales – South & Dispensing Doctors, Cambrian Alliance	
12.30	Lunch and Exhibition	
13.20 Sponsored session	Improving Lipid Management in Primary Care: A Quality Improvement Approach Going Beyond Statins Dr Ben Inglis, GP Partner, Wickham Surgery, Hampshire This sponsored promotional session is organised and funded by Daiichi Sankyo UK and is for healthcare professionals in the UK only. Daiichi Sankyo products will be discussed at the meeting. Prescribing information and adverse event reporting information will be made available during the session or at the Daiichi Sankyo UK stand. Daiichi Sankyo UK has had no further input into the content, arrangements, or logistics of the rest of the conference. UK/BEM/06/26/0015. Date of Preparation July 2026.	
13.50	Improving dispensary profitability – a case study Dr Edward Allen, GP Partner, GP Lead for Dispensing and Medicines Management, Victoria Surgery and Chair, Suffolk LMC	
14.30	Refreshments and Exhibition	
15.00	Building One Team for Neighbourhood Health – The Opportunities and Risks of INT working Mark Stone, DDA	DM&D Browser, Amendments, Endorsements and Negating financial loss Dr Fiona Porter, DDA
15.45	DDA Quiz* DDA QuizMasters	
16.30	Close	