

## **PCN Pharmacist**

Ogo Echem is a Pharmacist who has been appointed to provide a focal point for collaborative working across the PCN to support pharmacy providers, GPs and other clinical specialists in the Network.

Her background as a pharmacist brings a range of expertise to the Network to promote a more effective understanding of medication and how it may be used to best effect to enable patients to benefit from both short and longer-term medication solutions to health problems.

As part of her role in the PCN, Ogo will undertake medication reviews, focusing on people in care homes and patients on multiple medications to minimise risk of adverse effects. Patients are most likely to be referred to Ogo by a GP to review the effectiveness of their medicines.

Other activities include ensuring clear lines of communication between local Pharmacies and the GP Practices and support for GP's workload on medicine related queries to release pressure on GP time. She will also be able to share good practice across the different surgeries in the Network to improve the patient experience related to prescribing and using medicines.