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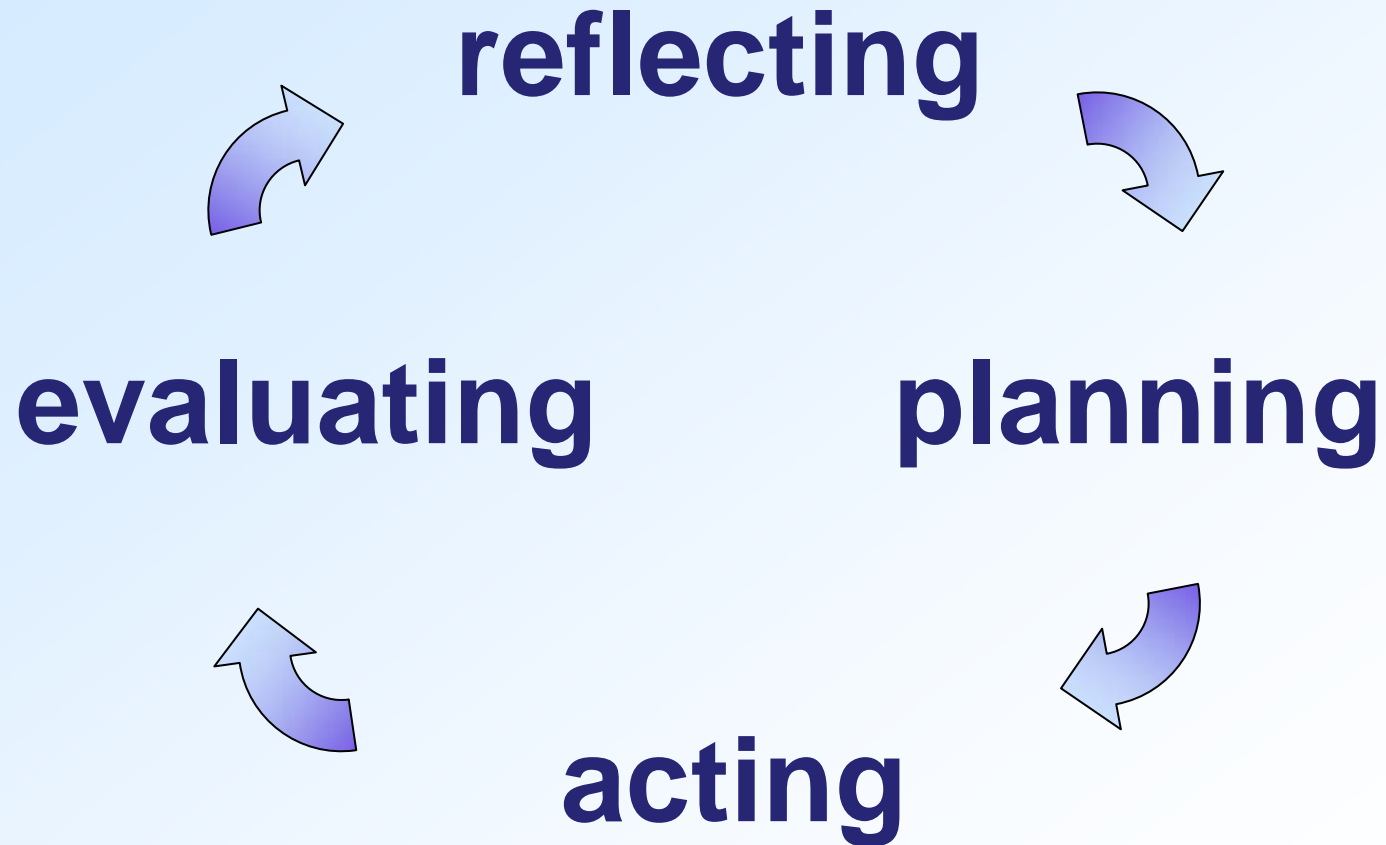
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A national survey of  
CPD tuition  
for undergraduate pharmacy  
students

# background

- New school
- Researcher new to pharmacy education!
- Independent learners ready for CPD
- RPSGB and QAA policies

# PDP and CPD



# possible diversity

- Universities independently developing PDP strategies
- Pharmacy schools independently fitting CPD preparation into the MPharm
- What does the national picture look like?

# questionnaire

- November 2007
- 5 simple questions on CPD and PDP delivery
- Sent to 23 Schools of Pharmacy
- 70% response

# results...

- Everyone introduces CPD in year 1
- Some theoretical, most have practical activities
- Single module to total integration
- Considerable variation in linking CPD with PDP

# ...results

- Some use RPSGB model, others use PDP generic to their institution
- Most summatively assess; all but one have compulsory elements
- Several still developing their CPD/PDP policies
- Most willing to discuss further

# discussion

- No two schools have even similar practices
- Wealth of innovative ideas
  - personal development diaries*
  - placement activities*
  - workshop reflecting time at university*
  - peer and self-assessment*
  - evidence of esteem beyond curriculum*

# opportunities

- Sharing of best practice
- Collaborative research
- Effectiveness of undergraduate support for practicing pharmacists' CPD