

**SUMMARY OF CASES DEALT WITH BY PROSECUTION/STATUTORY
OR PROFESSIONAL BODY BETWEEN 2005 AND 2009**

**PHARMACEUTICAL ADVICE AND SERVICES
INVESTIGATION UNIT**

YEAR OF DISPOSAL	SUMMARY
2009	An industrial chemist was sentenced to six months imprisonment, suspended for two years, after pleading guilty to charges relating to the placing on the market and supply of unauthorised veterinary medicines in contravention of the Veterinary Medicines Regulations 2005. He also pleaded guilty to the supply of a counterfeit veterinary product.
2009	The Statutory Committee of the Pharmaceutical Society of Northern Ireland directed that two pharmacists be removed from the register following conviction for nine offences under the Theft Act (NI) 1969. The pharmacists will not be considered for restoration to the Register for a period of five and seven years respectively.
2008	Arising from a joint investigation by DHSSPS/PSNI and Lancashire Constabulary a Co. Antrim man who purported to be a doctor was convicted and fined £100 at Ballymena Magistrates Court for unlawful possession of Diazepam.
2008	Following conviction for offences under the Misuse of Drugs Act 1971 a pharmacist was removed from the pharmaceutical register. Not to be considered for registration for 10 years.
2008	Following conviction for offences under the Veterinary Medicines Regulations 2005 a Co Londonderry veterinary practitioner was formally advised by the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons to comply with all relevant legislation including Veterinary Medicines Legislation.
2008	Following the seizure of unlicensed veterinary medicines, A Co Down Veterinary Practitioner was formally advised by the Royal College of Surgeons to comply with all relevant legislation including Veterinary Medicines Legislation.

2008	A Pharmacist was convicted at Belfast Magistrates Court and fined a total of £600 on three charges relating to the unauthorised possession of Dexedrine, Diazepam and Temazepam in contravention of the Misuse of Drugs Act 1971.
2008	Following joint investigation by the DHSSPS/PSNI arising from a sudden death caused by Potassium Cyanide poisoning a laboratory supply company was convicted and fined £250 at Antrim Magistrates Court for an offence under the Poisons (Northern Ireland) Order 1974.
2008	Following a joint investigation by the DHSSPS/Central Services Agency and WHSSB a Pharmacy company was convicted and fined a total of £13,500 at Enniskillen Magistrates Court on 9 charges of False Accounting in contravention of the Theft Act (NI) 1969.
2008	A retail trader was convicted and given a Conditional Discharge at Belfast Magistrates Court on three charges under the Marketing Regulations 1994 for supplying products (Legal Highs) containing a medicinal product.
2008	Following a joint investigation by the DHSSPS/PSNI a man was convicted and sentenced to 6 months imprisonment (suspended for 2 years) at Ballymena Crown Court on two counts of unauthorised possession of Class C drugs in contravention of the Misuse of Drugs Act 1971.
2007	Following conviction at Magistrates Court for breaches of the Misuse of Drugs Act 1971 a series of conditions upon his registration were imposed by the General Medical Council on a Co Antrim General Medical Practitioner.
2007	A retail trader was convicted at Belfast Magistrates Court and given a Conditional Discharge for 12 months on three charges under the Marketing Regulations 1994 for supplying products (Legal Highs) containing a medicinal product.
2007	Enquiries confirmed that a doctor had obtained an excessive number of private prescriptions for Diazepam. During the course of the enquiry the doctor made a voluntary request to be removed from the Medical Register. The request was granted by the General Medical Council.
2007	Pharmacist was convicted at Newry Magistrates Court and fined £200 for possession of unauthorised veterinary medicines in contravention of the Veterinary Medicines Regulations 2005.

2007	A Pharmacist was given a warning by the Statutory Committee of the Pharmaceutical Society of Northern Ireland regarding dispensing irregularities.
2007	A Veterinary Practitioner was convicted and given a Conditional Discharge for 6 months at Londonderry Magistrates Court on 12 charges relating to the possession of unauthorised veterinary medicines in contravention of the Veterinary Medicines Regulations 2005.
2007	An Agricultural Merchant was convicted and fined a total of £600 at Ballymena Magistrates Court on 12 charges relating to possession and supply of unauthorised veterinary medicines in contravention of the Veterinary Medicines Regulations 2005.
2007	The Director of a Company with retail premises throughout Northern Ireland received an official caution following the supply of Traditional Chinese Medicines containing medicinal products.
2007	The secretary of a Traditional Chinese Medicine Company was convicted at Belfast Magistrates Court and fined £1000 for supplying Chinese medicines containing medicinal products contrary to the Medicines Act 1968.
2006	Agricultural Merchant convicted and fined £400 at Lisburn Magistrates Court for sale of unauthorised veterinary medicines.
2006	The Statutory Committee of the Pharmaceutical Society of Northern Ireland removed a pharmacist from the Pharmaceutical Register for failing to comply with Medicines (Labelling) Regulations 1976; Failing to comply with the safe custody of Controlled Drugs in contravention of the Misuse of Drugs Act 1971; Failure to comply with the Pharmaceutical Society of Northern Ireland's Code of Ethics and Practice.
2006/2007	Following conviction at Coleraine Magistrates Court the General Medical Council "Fitness to Practice" Panel imposed a series of conditions on the registration of a General Medical Practitioner.
2006	General Medical Practitioner convicted and fined £1000 at Coleraine Magistrates Court for unlawful possession of a Controlled Drug and making false entries in Controlled Drug Register in contravention of Misuse of Drugs Act 1971.

2006	Pharmacist convicted at Bangor Magistrates Court and fined £500 under the Marketing Regulations 1994 arising from the sale of teething mixture.
2006	Pharmacist convicted at Bangor Magistrates Court and fined a total of £600 on two separate charges (1) Marketing Regulations 1994 and (2) Medicines Act 1968, arising from the sale of teething mixture.
2006	Proprietor of sex shop convicted at Belfast Magistrates Court and fined under Marketing Regulations 1994 for the supply of Kamagra tablets, which contained a medicinal product.
2005	Owner of Beauty Salon convicted and fined £75 at Belfast Magistrates Court for advertising Botox in contravention of the Marketing Regulations 1994.
2005	A pharmacist was given a warning by the Statutory Committee of the Pharmaceutical Society of Northern Ireland as to future conduct for failing to maintain proper records in Controlled Drugs Register.
2005	The Statutory Committee of the Pharmaceutical Society of Northern Ireland issued a reprimand to a pharmacist for the sale of veterinary medicinal products other than on a prescription issued by veterinary surgeon, contrary to section 58(2) of the Medicines Act 1968.
2005	The Statutory Committee of the Pharmaceutical Society of Northern Ireland removed a pharmacist from the register following conviction at Stranraer Sheriff Court on 15 counts of fraud for which he was sentenced to 240 hours Community Service on each count. All 15 counts being in cumulo.