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Catherine Spiller is a pharmacist currently working at the School of Pharmacy, University of Tasmania (UTAS) as a lecturer in clinical pharmacy and therapeutics. She is originally from the UK and has 16 years’ experience as a pharmacist in a wide variety of roles, having worked in hospital, community, primary care, senior management, training and education as well as academia. In the UK, she was heavily involved with the introduction of the new General Level Pharmacist Diploma and the Structured Training and Education Programme (STEP) for Pharmacists in South East London. With colleagues from Lewisham Primary Care Trust, South East London, she co-developed a competency-based training program for pharmacists-led anti-coagulant clinics in community pharmacy.

She moved from London to Hobart in 2010 and took up a position at the School of Pharmacy, UTAS. From mid-June 2011, she was seconded to a conjoint appointment as the Pharmacist Academic Clinical Leader with the Tasmanian Clinical Placement Partnership Project, a joint project between UTAS Faculty of Health Science and DHHS to optimise clinical placements for UTAS students in rural, remote and non-traditional settings. The project was a multidisciplinary project across the Faculty of Health Science and included leaders from medicine, nursing, physiotherapy, pharmacy and psychology. The work being presented is an overall summary of the achievements of this collaboration as an exemplar of clinical leadership.