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# Modern Agile Leadership for Pharma and Biopharma Professionals: Adapting to a Changing Workplace

3-4 July 2025  
+ 17-18 November 2025

This comprehensive two-day course will introduce you to the core concepts of what makes an excellent leader - in the context of the pharmaceutical industry - and how to apply the different skills of leading your staff and team to maximise results



**Format:**  
Live online



**CPD:**  
12 hours for your records



Certificate of completion

# Course overview

**The pharmaceutical, biopharma, medical device, and animal health industries are evolving faster than ever, with increasing complexity and competition.** In the past, technical expertise alone was enough to build a successful career. Today, professionals must develop strong leadership skills to thrive in their current roles, drive innovation, and advance within their organisations.

Employers are looking for leaders who can motivate teams, navigate change, and drive strategic success - whether managing staff, departments, projects, or entire organisations. Effective leadership is not an innate talent but a skill that can be learned and mastered.

This comprehensive two-day course provides a deep dive into what makes an exceptional leader in the pharmaceutical industry and how to apply practical leadership techniques to maximise team performance. Through pharmaceutical-specific case studies, interactive discussions, and real-world applications, you'll gain the confidence and capability to lead with impact.

By the end of this course, you'll be equipped with proven leadership strategies that you can immediately apply in your workplace to enhance your influence, drive results, and accelerate your career.

## Benefits of attending

- **Elevate** your leadership skills to transition from manager to strategic leader
- **Define** and implement strategic leadership to set the right direction for success
- **Build** and lead high-performing teams in the pharmaceutical industry
- **Lead** change and transformation effectively within the pharmaceutical sector

## Who should attend?

This course, designed specifically for the pharmaceutical, biopharma, medical device and animal health industries, will be relevant for existing leaders/managers who wish to enhance leadership skills to a higher level, as well as those new to or aspiring to a leadership/management role including:

- Team leaders, project leaders and managers
- Heads of departments
- Managers who have received little or no formal leadership training and who need to enhance their skills
- Anyone who wants to develop leadership skills to achieve greater success

# Programme

## Day 1

### Understanding leadership

- Why leadership is so important in the pharmaceutical industry and leading in a hybrid environment
- What are the core competencies of effective leaders in the pharmaceutical industry?
- Pharma case study
- Understanding models of leadership, including agile, and how to apply these to maximise performance

### Developing leadership style including strategic skills

- Understanding the 'bigger picture' and being strategic as a leader
- Taking into account the leadership concept you are working in – and how to adapt it
- Defining direction and strategy for you, your team and your organisation

### Leading and developing a pharma team, department or organisation

- Understanding the stages of team development and how different roles maximise team performance
- Key qualities of high performing teams
- Setting direction and vision to inspire your team
- Delegating whilst maintaining responsibility
- How to lead in a matrix environment

## Day 2

### Leading successful change in pharma

- Why and how leaders are change agents and can facilitate successful change
- How leaders create the conditions for successful change – pharma case study
- How to lead successful major change and deal with resistance to change
- The importance of the leadership role for implementing effective change

### Enhancing communication

- Managing and leading effective project meetings in pharma
- Stakeholder analysis and communication planning
- The global dimension and importance of cross-cultural considerations

### Dealing with conflict, poor performance and problems

- Identifying and developing your conflict management style
- Key principles to influence and negotiate
- Managing challenging people and situations
- Giving feedback to poor performers to improve results

### Motivating the team

- Identifying and responding to the different needs and motivations of your team
- Define what motivates you and your team
- Motivating the team for optimum performance

### Action planning

- Incorporate what you have learnt into the workplace – preparing a personal action plan

# Presenter



## **Laura Brown**

Dr Laura Brown BSc, PhD, MBA is a management and training consultant in the pharma industry. She has extensive management and leadership experience, having held senior positions with GSK, Hoechst Marion Roussel, MDS, and GCRP, and also has a degree in psychology. Since completing her MBA, Laura has co-authored several books on management including The Ultimate Book of Business Skills, Strategic Project Management, Demystifying Strategic Thinking, Developing the Individual and Project Management for the Pharmaceutical Industry. Laura has facilitated on an MBA leadership skills programme and lectured on an executive MBA course at Cranfield School of Management, one of Europe's leading business schools.

# Course dates

**3-4 July 2025**

**Live online**

09:30-17:00 **UK (London)** (UTC+01)

Course code 14801

GBP **999** ~~1,199~~

EUR **1,399** ~~1,679~~

USD **1,607** ~~1,919~~

**Until 29 May**

**17-18 November 2025**

**Live online**

09:30-17:00 **UK (London)** (UTC+00)

Course code 15072

GBP **999** ~~1,199~~

EUR **1,399** ~~1,679~~

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**Until 13 Oct**

## How to book



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### Fee

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# Reviews



**Overall, I found the webinar to be highly informative and engaging. The content was well-organized and covered the topic comprehensively. The presentation was smooth and visually appealing, making it easy to follow along. The speaker was knowledgeable and communicated the points clearly, providing insightful examples and answering questions effectively. I felt that the webinar added value to my leadership knowledge.**



**Silvia Sparapani**  
Clinical Operations Lead  
Hays Ltd. C/o F. Hoffmann-La Roche  
Nov 18 2024



**Great and very useful! Thanks!**



**Eva Panarese**  
Senior Marketing director  
Camurus AB  
Mar 2 2023



**It was a great opportunity to hear from other industry professionals. Found the pace and the presentation to be of great quality.**



**Jordan Stefanov**  
Senior Contract Manager  
BeiGene Ltd  
Sep 29 2022



**Laura was great speaker and very competent. I took this course to get more insight in what leadership is and to get tools and tips in how to manage people. I definitely got what I hoped for to get.**



**Fida Issa**  
Safety Surveillance Specialist  
Novo Nordisk  
Sep 30 2021

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