



Kumeshnie Padayachee

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Kumeshnie Padayachee was appointed as the Responsible Pharmacist/RA Head of Novartis South Africa in April 2016. Kumeshnie also serves as the GDD Co-coordinator and OneRA Lead in South Africa.

Kumeshnie Padayachee joined Novartis in April 2011. During her time at Novartis, she held several positions, including Regulatory Affairs Pharmacist, Regulatory Affairs Manager and Senior Regulatory Affairs Manager.

Prior to joining Novartis Kumeshnie worked in several fields within the pharmacy space including quality assurance and regulatory in other pharma companies, as well as hospital and retail pharmacy, both in the public and private sector.

Kumeshnie Padayachee received both her Bachelor of Pharmacy and Master in Medicine (Pharmaceutical Affairs) from the University of Witwatersrand. Kumeshnie has been instrumental in driving innovative regulatory strategies to shorten registration timelines and continues to shape of the external regulatory environment.