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**PAGB's Sheila Kelly appointed OBE in New Year's Honours List**

PAGB is delighted with the announcement that Sheila Kelly, PAGB Executive Director, has been made OBE in the New Year's Honours list. The award is in recognition of Sheila's services to the pharmaceutical industry.

Roger Scarlett-Smith, PAGB President, commented on the announcement: "Sheila has had a major impact in the development of self-medication through wider use of proven, effective and safe over-the-counter medicines. Sheila has been tireless in over two decades, appropriately representing the OTC manufacturers to key stakeholders, and creating an environment for fair and healthy competition. Sheila's leadership has seen key breakthroughs including a dramatically accelerated movement of active compounds from prescription only to OTC use; broadening access and choice for the public and reducing cost for the health service."

"The award of this honour is very well deserved and is a welcome recognition of not only her contribution to self-medication in the UK but of the industry itself."

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