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Experience

- 2022- Head of Market Access, Governmental Affairs & Communication at **Merck AS Norway**, member of country leadership team with manager responsibility for my team of 4.
- 2020-2022 Governmental, Corporate and Value & Access Sr. Manager, **Amgen AB Norge**. Member of country leadership team
My position included all Value and Access activities, and I was responsible for pricing, tender, reimbursement dossiers in Amgen Norway. The VA manager reported directly to me.
- 01.08.2018-2020 Governmental and Corporate Sr. Manager, **Amgen AB Norge**. Amgen is a biotechnology pharmaceutical company and has been represented in Norway for more than 20 years. As a governmental and corporate sr manager I have been developing Amgen Norway's public affairs and reputation by actively representing the company in meetings, conferences, media and on behalf of the pharma industry association (LMI), Hematologialliansen and in AmCham. The position also includes weekly contact with Authorities' such as NOMA, Sykehusinnkjøp, Folkehelseinstituttet, Helsedirektoratet and key politicians,. I am also responsible for all advocacy activities, and I have a very good relationship with ex stakeholders like patient associations and the Norwegian cancer associations. Amgen is a small affiliate -and with my background as a pharmacist and a good overview over the Norwegian medical and pharmaceutical landscape – I am involved in the business in general, authorial inspections,CUP programs and national collaborative projects such as CONNECT, and INSPIRE. In my work I collaborated with colleagues in Europe and western Africa in both Policy and V&A forums. The digital manager reported directly to me.
- 2009-2018 Head of Reimbursement and HTA, Norwegian Medicines Agency (NOMA). NOMA is an agency under the Ministry of Health and Care Services. The Mission NOMA is to evolve and safeguard public and animal health by ensuring the efficacy, quality and safety of medicines and to administer and enforce the medical devices regulation. NOMA is also the decision-making body for reimbursement of pharmaceuticals for the out patients, and provider of HTA's of pharmaceuticals for the national decision system, nye metoder, for all the hospitals in Norway. In my role Head of the Reimbursement & HTA , I was responsible for the production of more than 100 single technology assessment reports yearly, all decisions for the reimbursement for retail marked . All employers in my section reported directly to me. The role gave me also opportunities to develop "new methods" – access for hospital drugs in Norway, and I played an important role in the set up of the system since 2012-2018, including developing new legislation for reimbursement of retail drugs and also in the making of the white paper on prioritization from 2016. The position included a spot in the national decision board (Beslutningsforum) and Bestillerforum.
As the head of Reimbursement and HTA, I also had a seat in the leadership team in NOMA. Working in NOMA gave me also the opportunity to participate in international working groups lead by WHO, European Medicines Agency and EU-commission.
- 2004-2009 Assessor in heath economics at **Norwegian Medicines Agency**.
- 2004- ongoing Lecturer in Pharmacy, **The Arctic University of Norway**
2003-2004 Lecturer and coordinator in pharmacy practice, The Arctic University of Norway.
- 2000- 2012 Part-time pharmacists in several pharmacies in all of Norway.
1999-2000 Full-time position as a pharmacist at the hospital pharmacy at Oslo university hospital
1996-1998 Part-time postion/ student work at several pharmacies in the Oslo region; Rikshospitalets apotek, Ullevål apotek/Oslo university hospital pharmacy, and the pharmacy St.Georg.
- ## *Education*
- 2000-2003: Msc in Pharmacy, The Arctic University of Norway
Master Thesis in pharmacoepidemiology.
1996-1998 Batchelor in Pharmacy. Oslo Met University

Other positions

Nansen Neuroscience Network

2025-dd Chairman

2023-2025 Board member

Norsk farmasihistorisk selskap

2025- Chairman

Lilleaker skoles musikkorps

2014- Chairman