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Provision of primary care pharmacy operated by hospital pharmacist

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Supplement I. A checklist of primary care pharmacy activities.

Managing medicine supply (Max possible score=10)

Question: Indicate the number of SHPHs which can provide the following activities

- 1. There is a stock of medicine that is held in a secure location and separated from other work area.
- 2. There is a security system to protect medicine from theft.
- 3. The stock of medicine is clean with good control of storage conditions such as sunlight, humidity, and flooding.
- 4. The temperature of a stock of medicine should not exceed 30 °C.
- 5. Medicines and medical supplies are organised in a logical manner with clear labelling.
- 6. Storage of vaccines follows the 'cold chain system' rules.
- 7. Essential emergency drugs are available for use, including adrenaline injection 1:1000, atropine injection 1:1000, 0.5% calcium chloride/gluconate, 20% or 50% dextrose, furosemide injection, and hydrocortisone/dexamethasone.
- 8. Medicines and medical supplies are removed from the stock based on the "First Expire First Out (FEFO)" rule.
- 9. Inventory management is used to maintain appropriate quantities of stock.
- 10. There is a list of essential drugs that reflects the specific health needs of the local community.

Improving medicine dispensary services (Max possible score=12)

Question: Indicate the number of SHPHs which can provide the following activities

- 1. There is a system for monitoring medication errors.
- A computerised system produces medicine labels with the patient's name and important information about the medicine.
- 3. Printed material describing appropriate use of the medicine is provided with the medicine (auxiliary labels, educational leaflet, etc.).

- 4. History of drug allergy is always recorded in a patient's profile.
- 5. A drug allergy card is issued to a patient with a history of allergic reactions.
- 6. A history of drug allergy is shared with a hospital.
- 7. If a patient is taking warfarin, pharmacists/health care staff are alerted to this by a signal in the patient's health record.
- 8. A sign with statement "Please inform pharmacist/health care staff if you are pregnant or breast feeding" is shown clearly in the dispensing area.
- 9. A sign with statement "Please inform staff if allergic to any medicine" is shown clearly in the dispensing area.
- 10. An alert sign is shown clearly on the shelf of drugs that are contraindicated during pregnancy.
- 11. A list of drugs contraindicated during pregnancy is available.
- 12. There is training for non-pharmacist health professionals regarding dispensing of medicine.

Home visit with multidisciplinary team (Max possible score=6)

Question: Indicate whether the following activities are conducted in your district.

- 1. You and your team know the exact number of patients who are in need of continuity of care such as chronic disease patients, palliative patients, etc.
- 2. You and your team provide home visits.
- 3. A case conference is held by the family care team to prepare and summarise a medical plan for the patient, before and after home visit.
- 4. Continuity of care is provided to at least 60% of patients who need it.
- 5. Medicine is delivered directly to a patient's home if they cannot visit a hospital.
- 6. A family care team always reports incidences of adverse drug reactions to the centre that monitors adverse product reactions.

Consumer health protection (Max possible score=5)

Question: Indicate whether the following activities are conducted in your district.

- 1. You and your team inspect local health businesses at least twice a year to monitor for possible health care violations.
- 2. You and your team inspect local businesses (restaurants, convenient stores, open markets, etc.) at least once a year to monitor for possible health care violations.
- 3. You and your team organise an educational event for consumer empowerment.
- 4. You and your team inspect local businesses that likely sells hazardous products to the community.
- 5. You and your team are proactive with regard to identifying and eliminating problems due to improper use of medicine and health products.

Promoting self-care and herbal use (Max possible score=3)

Question: Indicate the number of SHPHs which can provide the following activities

- 1. Community members are provided with information to educate them about the use of over-the-counter medicines.
- 2. There is a place/centre located in the community to support the use of over-the-counter medicines.
- 3. Herbal medicines endorsed in the National List of Herbal Medicine 2013 are recommended for use at home.

Note: SHPH: sub-district health promoting hospital which is a place for providing primary healthcare. There is no evaluation of expired stock or near-expired stock.

Supplement II. Queries to pharmacists concerning factors influencing PCP operation (16 items).

Items	Level of impact to PCP operation			
Responsibility of pharmacist in job assignment	□ high	☐ moderate	\square low	□no impact
Good relationship between a pharmacist and	□ high	☐ moderate	\square low	□no impact
community				
Support from a hospital director	□ high	☐ moderate	\square low	□no impact
Perseverance and patience of a pharmacist	□ high	☐ moderate	\square low	□no impact
Support from a pharmacy head	□ high	☐ moderate	\square low	□no impact
Knowledge of pharmacist regarding home	□ high	☐ moderate	\square low	□no impact
pharmaceutical care				
Skills of pharmacist to coordinate with community	□ high	☐ moderate	\square low	□no impact
Policy directed by a hospital director	□ high	☐ moderate	\square low	□no impact
Knowledge of pharmacist regarding medicine	□ high	☐ moderate	\square low	□no impact
dispensing				
Policy directed by a pharmacy head	□ high	☐ moderate	\square low	□no impact
Knowledge of pharmacist regarding consumer	□ high	☐ moderate	\square low	□no impact
health protection				
Existence of a family care team	□ high	☐ moderate	\square low	□no impact
Knowledge of pharmacist regarding medicine	□ high	☐ moderate	\square low	□no impact
supply management				
Complimentary expressed by pharmacy head	□ high	☐ moderate	\square low	□no impact
Complimentary expressed by a hospital director	□ high	☐ moderate	\square low	□no impact
Knowledge of pharmacist regarding self-care and	□ high	☐ moderate	\square low	□no impact
herbal use				



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