

| Medicines Management | | | | |
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| Task / Activity | Self-Assessment / Date | Competency Assessed Y / N | Competency Achieved | Signed off by Clinical Assessor / Date |
| Tier 1 | | | | |
| <p>Knowledge and Understanding (For all references to medicines management regarding vaccines, please refer to the appropriate section. For references to medicines related to anticoagulation, please refer to the appropriate section)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be aware of the General Practice Nurse responsibilities in relation to medicines management and comply with the Care Quality Commission Key Lines of Enquiry: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ People have their medicines when they need them, and access them in a safe way.¹ • Demonstrate knowledge of the laws concerning prescribing and medicines management • Demonstrate an understanding of the role of the Medicines and Healthcare Products Regulatory Agency (MHRA).¹ • Demonstrate an understanding of prescribing functionality within a clinical database context. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Understand that prescriptions cannot be printed by a non-prescriber, only by a prescriber. ○ Understand that medication suggestions may be added by a nurse within the limits of their area of expertise, and discussed with a prescriber. ○ Understand that when a prescription has been used as a PSD, that the wording (right drug, right dose, right route, right interval) reflects the legal guidance for PSDs. | | | | |

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Demonstrate an understanding of the local and national guidance and legal framework for prescribing. • Demonstrate an understanding of the legal status of a prescription form (FP10) and implications for safety, security and risks of misuse. • Demonstrate an understanding of 'homely remedies', medicines recommendations, Patient Specific Directions (PSDs), Patient Group Directions (PGDs) • Demonstrate an understanding of the monitoring requirements for prescribed medicines. • Demonstrate an understanding of the legal status of emergency medicines obtained for stock and use in the practice. • Demonstrate an understanding of the monitoring and audit of emergency medicines, how to acquire them, and local Practice policies. • Demonstrate an understanding of the importance of GP practice-related medical devices alerts and act appropriately in line with local policies and procedures.¹ • Demonstrate an understanding of the requirements of the Medicines Act, including safe storage, rotation and disposal of vaccines and drugs, as appropriate to role. • Demonstrate an understanding of cold chain, safe storage, vaccine stability, rotation, and disposal of drugs. <p>Patient Management</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understand the treatment terms: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Concordance ○ Compliance ○ Adherence ○ And be able to clarify this with patients during consultations. • Appropriately signpost to and liaise with pharmacists within or outside the team. • Be clear that 'medication reviews' should not be performed by non-prescribers • Be able to understand the non-prescribing GPN role in the management of LTCs • Be able to recognise when patient complexity exceeds competence and refer on as appropriate. | | | | |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Be able to recognise that recommending a particular Over the Counter (Otc) medicine is part of prescribing and that this may be outside of the nurse's competence.• Be able to safely signpost to Community Pharmacy to access the appropriate product and dose to manage vaccination side effects.• Review<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Be able to recognise when patient complexity exceeds competence and refer on as appropriate.○ Ensure that patients are provided with information regarding prescription charge exemptions where appropriate. | | | | |
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