

 Oroville Hospital	Job Description for Pharmacist Intern	Department: Pharmacy
		Dept. #: 8390 Last Updated: 7/24/08

Reports To

Director of Pharmaceutical Services

Job Summary

Perform activities pertaining to the practice of Pharmacy under the supervision of a Registered Pharmacist.

Duties

1. Receiving and interpreting the prescription:
 - a. Transcribe the medication order, fill and distribute the medication, obtain all information or clarification necessary for a complete or unclear order to make the document complete and appropriate for dispensing, use appropriate judgment to determine the accuracy of a medication order
2. Medication profile:
 - a. Develop a profile for patients of all ages, when it is necessary, by extraction, interpretation, and for the safe and effective drug therapy (Patient diagnosis, Physician orders, nursing notes, Medication Administration Records (MAR), laboratory reports, patient allergies and drug sensitivities)
 - b. Monitor drug utilization, note drug interactions, allergies and sensitivities, take appropriate action to correct drug related problems, obtain drug history from patients of all ages, note clinical significance of potential drug related problems
3. Prescription preparation:
 - a. Check the medication order to see if it is correct, the correct product and dosage have been selected, and the medication has been appropriately labeled
 - b. For a controlled substance, dispense and maintain all necessary records in accordance with current State and Federal law
 - c. Perform the required pharmaceutical skills (weighing, triturating, dilution, etc.), perform the necessary calculations and produce a pharmaceutically elegant product
 - d. Use principles and techniques of sterile compounding and dispensing to prepare intravenous admixtures
4. Drug information and consultation:

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- a. In regard to drug therapy, utilize commonly available reference sources reference sources to accurately answer the request and/or refer the question to an appropriate source for response
 - b. In any case of poisoning or overdose, supply general information on the initial treatment, or refer to the nearest poison information center
 - c. Communicate with patients of all ages, or other health professionals for such purposes as counseling, clarifying, correcting, informing, and altering the therapeutic plan, if it is necessary
5. Pharmacy quality assurance:
- a. Daily basis: Assists the Registered Pharmacist in the Quality Assurance Program concerning drug utilization review, drug compliance, continuing medication and automatic stop-order, etc
 - b. Monthly basis: Check for expiration date on all consumable products in different areas of the hospital (such as drugs, foods, drinks, etc.)
6. Miscellaneous:
- a. Help the Pharmacy Staff in re-labeling the medication cubicles with generic and trade names
 - b. Assist the Pharmacy Director in updating the IV guidelines and reordering, etc
 - c. Perform any task as it may relate to the practice of hospital pharmacy

Qualifications

1. Must have graduated from an approved course of study in the Pharmacy field
2. Previous experience in working with drugs and people is preferred

Lifting Requirements

Medium – generally lifting not more than 50 lbs. maximum with frequent lifting and/or carrying of objects weighing up to 25 lbs.