Preceptor Development: Practically Precepting the Pharmacists’ Patient Care Process (PPCP)

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Objectives

1. Explain the need for the Pharmacists’ Patient Care Process (PPCP).
2. List the steps in the PPCP.
3. Apply the PPCP to experiential activities in a variety of practice settings.
Self-Assessment Question #1

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The Pharmacists’ Patient Care Process (PPCP)
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“Consistent process of care in the delivery of patient care services”
Haven’t we always done this?

▪ YES...but...
  ▪ Fractionation of profession and emergence of different care models
    ▪ Medication Therapy Management (MTM) Model
    ▪ Patient-Centered Primary Care Collaborative (PCPCC Model)
    ▪ Pharmaceutical Care Model

Harris, et al., 2012.
MTM Model

Medication Therapy Review (MTR)

Personal Medication Record (PMR)

Medication-Related Action Plan (MAP)

Intervention and/or Referral

Documentation and Follow-Up
PCPCC Model

1. Assessment of medication-related needs
2. Identification and categorization of medication-related problems
3. Development of care plan
4. Follow-up evaluation

Harris, et al., 2012.
Pharmaceutical Care Model

Care Plan

Assessment

Continuous Follow-Up

Evaluation

“We need to determine more precisely what we do and demonstrate it consistently to those outside the pharmacy profession.”

“Clinical pharmacy practice needs to be defined in a manner that can be applied across all patients, patient care settings, and types of practices.”

Harris, et al., 2012.
Why now?

- Evolution from medication distribution
- Expanded pharmacist patient care services
- Movement toward *outcomes-based payment*
Why now?

- Accreditation standard for colleges and schools of pharmacy
  - Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE)
    - Standard 10: Curriculum Design, Delivery, and Oversight
      - Key Element 10.8: “Pharmacists’ Patient Care Process – The curriculum prepares students to provide patient-centered collaborative care as described in the *Pharmacists’ Patient Care Process* model endorsed by the Joint Commission of Pharmacy Practitioners.”
Why now?

- Required Competency Areas, Goals, and objectives for Postgraduate Year One (PGY1) Community-Based and Managed Care Pharmacy Residencies
  - Competency Area R1: Patient Care
    - Goal R1.1: “Provide safe and effective patient care services including medication management, health and wellness, [immunization], and disease state management [including medication management] following the JCPP Pharmacists’ Patient Care Process. Services are provided to a diverse range of patients in collaboration with the health care team.”
Other disciplines lead the way

American Nurses Association: “The Nursing Process”

Nursing Diagnosis

Assessment

Outcomes/Planning

Evaluation

Implementation
Other disciplines lead the way

"The Scientific Method"

1. Make an observation
2. Ask a question
3. Form a hypothesis
4. Make a prediction
5. Test the prediction
6. Iterate
How to Implement the Pharmacists' Patient Care Process, 2015.
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Patient-Centered Care

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“Care that is respectful of and responsive to individual patient preferences, needs, and values and ensuring that patient values guide all clinical decisions.”

- Continuous healing relationships
- Customized
- Patient in control
- Knowledge freely shared
- Evidence-based decisions
- Safety
- Transparency
- Needs anticipated
- Decreased waste
- Cooperation
- Collaboration
  - Assists pharmacist with making meaningful recommendations
- Communication
  - Improves relationships
  - Improves understanding
  - May improve outcomes
- Documentation
  - Shows what happened
  - Supports pharmacist accountability
“The pharmacist assures the collection of the necessary subjective and objective information about the patient in order to understand the relevant medical/medication history and clinical status of the patient.”
Subjective Information

- Collected from or communicated by the patient
  - Beliefs, feelings, goals, ideas, perceptions, preferences, values
  - Demographics
  - Histories
    - Family, medical, medication, social, surgical
  - Medication use and experience
  - Reason for seeking care
  - Symptoms
Objective Information
- Observed or tested by a health care provider
- Data can be seen, heard, or measured
- Information is fact-based, quantifiable, and repeatable
  - Diagnostic reports
  - Laboratory results
  - Medication lists
    - Provided by institution or pharmacy
  - Physical examination
    - Auscultation, observation, palpation, percussion
How to Implement the Pharmacists’ Patient Care Process, 2015.
“The pharmacist assesses the information collected and analyzes the clinical effects of the patient’s therapy in the context of the patient’s overall health goals in order to identify and prioritize problems and achieve optimal care.”
Assess: Self-Care

- Health Status
  - Lab results
  - Medical/medication history
  - Physical exam findings
  - Risk factors
  - Signs/symptoms

- Preventative Care Needs
  - Access to care
  - Immunization history
Assess: Self-Care

**Drug-Related Problems**
- Medication adherence
- Medication appropriateness
- Medication effectiveness
- Medication safety
“The pharmacist develops an individualized patient-centered care plan, in collaboration with other health care professionals and the patient or caregiver that is evidence-based and cost-effective.”
Determine the optimal solution to the patient’s problem

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“The pharmacist implements the care plan in collaboration with other health care professionals and the patient or caregiver.”
Implement: Self-Care

▪ Address all medication- and health-related problems
  ▪ Adjust, administer, discontinue, initiate medications (as authorized)
▪ Educate
▪ Facilitate transitions of care
▪ Order labs/tests (as authorized)
▪ Recommend
▪ Refer
Implement: Self-Care

- Usually involves documentation
  - Clinical intervention tracking
  - Medication action plan
  - Order/Rx changes
  - Recommendations to healthcare team
  - SOAP notes
“The pharmacist monitors and evaluates the effectiveness of the care plan and modifies the plan in collaboration with other health care professionals and the patient or caregivers as needed.”
Follow-Up & Monitoring

- Medication adherence
- Medication appropriateness
- Medication effectiveness
- Medication safety
- Outcomes of care
- Progress toward or achievement of goals
Practically Precepting the PPCP
Case #1: Anticoagulation Clinic

DJ is a 72yo male presenting to the pharmacist-run anticoagulation clinic for routine follow-up of his international normalized ratio (INR).

- **PMH:**
  - Atrial fibrillation
  - Hyperlipidemia
  - Hypertension
  - Type 2 diabetes mellitus

- **Medications:**
  - Atorvastatin 40mg by mouth daily
  - Lisinopril 20mg by mouth daily
  - Metformin 1000mg by mouth twice daily
  - Warfarin 5mg by mouth daily
# Applying the PPCP...Case #1

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Applying the PPCP...

- Case #2: Long-Term Care Facility
  - AC is a 80yo female patient who has resided in a nursing home for the last three years. Over the past three weeks she has experienced three falls. She had not experienced any falls previously.
Applying the PPCP...Case #2

- **PMH**
  - Cerebrovascular accident (CVA)
  - Dementia
  - Depression
  - Gastroesophageal reflux disease (GERD)
  - Hypertension
  - Myocardial infarction (MI)

- **Medications**
  - Aspirin 81mg by mouth daily
  - Benztropine 1mg by mouth three times daily
  - Donepezil 10mg by mouth at bedtime
  - Escitalopram 20mg by mouth daily
  - Furosemide 10mg by mouth daily
  - Lisinopril 5mg by mouth daily
  - Lorazepam 0.5mg by mouth twice daily
  - Megestrol acetate 400 mg by mouth daily
  - Omeprazole 20mg by mouth daily
  - Risperidone 0.5mg by mouth at bedtime
Applying the PPCP...Case #2

▪ Vitals
  ▪ Baseline Mini Mental Status Exam (MMSE) score upon admission: 24
  ▪ No pain scale documentation noted
  ▪ Blood pressure (BP): 130/86mmHg
  ▪ Height: 5’5”
  ▪ Weight: 147lb

▪ Pertinent Labs
  ▪ K: 4.1mEq/L
  ▪ SCr: 0.9mg/dL
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What patient care activities do you complete in your practice setting that could be described as:

- Collect
- Assess
- Plan
- Implement
- Follow-up: Monitor and Evaluate
- Collaborate
- Communicate
- Document
Applying the PPCP...

▪ How would you apply the PPCP in the following settings/situations?
  ▪ Anticoagulation clinic
  ▪ Community pharmacy over-the-counter product question
  ▪ Drug information question
  ▪ Journal club
  ▪ Long term care monthly chart review
  ▪ Vancomycin consult
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