

Health care and Pharmaceutical

HIV PHARMACIST

Curriculum

Program Outline :

Module 1: Fundamentals of HIV Pharmacist

1. Antiretroviral Therapy (ART) Knowledge: In-depth understanding of antiretroviral medications, their mechanisms of action, side effects, and drug interactions.

2. Patient Adherence Support: Skills in supporting and educating patients to ensure adherence to their medication regimens, which is crucial for effective HIV management.

3. Drug-Drug Interactions: Expertise in identifying and managing potential drug-drug interactions, especially those involving antiretrovirals and other medications.

4. Prevention and Treatment of Opportunistic Infections: Knowledge of prophylactic and therapeutic strategies for opportunistic infections commonly seen in HIV-positive patients.

5. Interdisciplinary Collaboration: Ability to work collaboratively with other healthcare professionals, including physicians, nurses, and social workers, to provide comprehensive care to HIV patients.

Module 2: Advanced HIV Pharmacist

1. Advanced Antiretroviral Therapy (ART) Management:

Expertise in managing complex ART regimens, including newer agents and combination therapies, to achieve and maintain viral suppression.

2. Drug-Drug and Drug-Disease Interactions: In-depth knowledge of potential interactions between antiretrovirals and other medications, as well as managing comorbid conditions in HIV-positive patients.

3. Precision Medicine: Utilizing genetic and pharmacogenomic information to tailor ART regimens to individual patients for optimal outcomes.

4. HIV Drug Resistance: Understanding the mechanisms of HIV drug resistance and strategies for resistance testing, management, and prevention.

5. Patient-Centered Care: Providing holistic care that addresses the physical, emotional, and social needs of HIV patients, including adherence support, mental health care, and linkage to social services.

Module 3: Practical Applications

1. Patient Care and Management:

Medication Therapy Management (MTM): Pharmacists optimize medication regimens to improve therapeutic outcomes and reduce adverse effects.

2. Clinical Practice:

Patient Counseling: Educating patients on proper medication use, potential side effects, and lifestyle modifications to enhance health outcomes.

3. Pharmaceutical Research and Development:

Drug Discovery and Development: Conducting research to discover new medications and develop existing ones

4. Healthcare Technology and Innovation:

Telemedicine: Using telehealth platforms to provide remote consultations, follow-ups, and health monitoring

Module 4: Capstone Project

1.Impact of Telemedicine on Patient Outcomes

Analyze the effectiveness of telemedicine in improving patient outcomes, especially for chronic disease management .

2.Pharmaceutical Waste Management

Develop strategies to reduce pharmaceutical waste and its environmental impact.

3.Medication Adherence in Elderly Patients

Investigate factors affecting medication adherence among elderly patients and develop interventions to improve adherence.

4.Implementation of an Electronic Health Records (EHR) System

Assess the challenges and benefits of implementing an EHR system in a healthcare facility

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Elective Modules

Advanced Pharmacology: Deep dive into the mechanisms of action, side effects, and interactions of various drugs.

Clinical Research Methods: Learn about designing and conducting clinical trials, data analysis, and ethical considerations.

Health Informatics: Study the use of information technology in healthcare, including electronic health records and data management.

Global Health: Explore health issues and solutions in a global context, including international health policies and practices

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