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Modification History

Not applicable.

Performance Evidence

Evidence of the ability to complete tasks outlined in elements and performance criteria of this unit in the context of the job role, and:

- prepare and dispense Immunosuppressive medication on at least 10 occasions, including:
 - demonstrating the ability to source information
 - confirming medication dispensing with an authorised person
- provide a continuing medication education session focusing on the pharmaceutical aspects, that includes:
 - at least two malignant diseases, focussing on the appropriate supportive care treatments and the reasons for their use
 - at least one condition that requires immunosuppressive medication
 - session delivery methods, including:
 - digital presentation
 - demonstration
 - referral to findings
 - activities and questions
- perform the activities outlined in the performance criteria of this unit during a period of 240 hours of work related to hospital pharmacy support in a clinical workplace environment. These 240 hours may be applied collectively across all units of competency that include the requirement for workplace hours for the purposes of assessment.

Knowledge Evidence

Demonstrated knowledge required to complete the tasks outlined in elements and performance criteria of this unit:

- understand information on malignant diseases and immunosuppressive disorders including:
 - malignant diseases and immune related disorders that require immunosuppressive medication and determine appropriate treatments and reasons for their use
 - medication used for each treatment and the supportive care medications required
 - side effects of the medication
 - adverse reactions to medication that require referral to an authorised person

- relevant information for review by an authorised person
- standard pharmaceutical references, including:
 - Australian Medicines Handbook (AMH)
 - Australian Pharmaceutical Formulary Handbook (APF)
 - Monthly Index of Medical Specialities (MIMS) or AusDI Advanced
 - Micromedex
- relevant National, State or Territory regulatory and legislative requirements
- the legal responsibilities of providers of health care in relation to confidentiality, patient rights, duty of care and implications of negligence
- limitations of own work role including identification and referring of issues outside scope of own practice to the authorised person
- Work Health and Safety (WHS) policies, guidelines and symbols and their relevance to dispensing medication
- common malignant diseases:
 - carcinoma
 - leukaemia
 - lymphoma
 - melanomas
- basic difference between healthy and malignant cells:
 - growth in contrast to normal cells, cancer cells do not stop growing and dividing that results in the formation of a tumour
 - communication including cancer cells do not interact with other cells as normal cells do
 - cell repair and cell death including normal cells are either repaired or undergo apoptosis when they are damaged or get old, whereas cancer cells don't undergo apoptosis
- the role of common supportive care medications for oncology patients and non-pharmacology methods to improve quality of life
- presentation methods for continuing education.

Assessment Conditions

Skills must be demonstrated in the workplace with the addition of simulations and scenarios where the full range of contexts and situations have not been provided in the workplace.

Assessment must ensure access to:

- use of suitable facilities, equipment and resources, including:
 - relevant legislation, regulations and guidelines
 - medicine information and resources on malignant disease and immunosuppressive disorders
- authorised person with whom to consult.

Assessors must satisfy the Standards for Registered Training Organisations' requirements for assessors.

Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet -

<https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=ced1390f-48d9-4ab0-bd50-b015e5485705>