



# **Pharmacy Council of India New Delhi**

**“Syllabus framed under Regulation 7,  
List of prescribed equipments and  
apparatus under Appendix-A of  
The Education Regulations, 2020  
For Diploma Course in Pharmacy”**

## Preamble

“Revamping the curriculum, pedagogy, assessment, and student support” is one of the vision statements and recommendations of the National Education Policy (NEP) of Govt. of India for attaining enhanced learning experiences by the students. In light of this, Pharmacy Council of India, the apex body regulating the pharmacy education in the country, committed to revise the education regulations of Diploma in Pharmacy (D.Pharm) program and thus, the ‘Education Regulations 2020’ (ER-2020) has been notified in the Gazette of India in October 2020. This new regulation has given due consideration for the fact that, universally the role of pharmacist has undergone continuous evolution from ‘dispenser of medicines’ to ‘medicine expert’ in the multidisciplinary health care team.

Accordingly, the courses (course means the subject) of the existing education regulations (ER-91) have been revisited, compared with the present and future needs of the society, expectations of the healthcare team and other stakeholders from the pharmacists were assessed, feedback from the experts in the pharmacy and other healthcare professions were sought. Thus, the course of study prescribed in ER-2020 is an amalgamation of all such exercises to arrive at a curriculum structure for D.Pharm that is more relevant to the current practice standards, dynamic to accommodate and address the upcoming changes.

Though the total number of courses across the program remain 21 as that of ER-91, the number of theory courses is reduced from 12 to 11 in the new regulation, while the number of practical courses is increased from 9 to 10. Further, the theory teaching hours across the program have been reduced from 850 to 825, while the practical hours have been increased from 750 to 800 in the new regulation. Three practical courses have been introduced for the first time in ER-2020. Further, about 275 hours have been assigned for the first time in D.Pharm curriculum for ‘Tutorial’ activities. All such changes explicitly reveal that the ER-2020 is intended to provide a little edge to the experiential learning through the practical courses and encourages the small group teaching-learning, self-directed learning, etc. in the tutorial hours.

Introduction of ‘Pharmacotherapeutics’ courses (theory and practical) is one of the revolutionary changes in the new curriculum, that will help the students to hone their knowledge and skills in the area of pharmaceutical care services which will certainly redefine the roles of the D.Pharm qualified pharmacists in both community and hospital settings. Also, the introduction of ‘Social Pharmacy’ courses (theory and practical) will provide insights about the primary and preventive healthcare concepts in the country and the potential roles of pharmacists in such healthcare segments.

In this backdrop, the Council has formulated a Committee which comprised of 16 Members who have rich experiences in various domains such as education, hospital

pharmacy practice, community pharmacy practice, clinical pharmacy practice, administrative and regulatory affairs to design the syllabus for the individual theory and practical courses as per the curriculum framework defined in ER-2020. The Committee with its clear understanding about the philosophy and objectives of the ER-2020, drafted the syllabus for individual theory and practical courses with utmost care to avoid repetitions, redundancy, over/under utilization of hours, etc. Every course is defined with scope, set of course objectives and course outcomes which will help to understand the significance and the expectations of the course from both teachers and students. Lots of scope has been given in the syllabus for the active learning by the students through the assignment topics and field visit activities which will enhance their critical thinking, searching scientific literatures, interpretational skills and communication skills.

According to the ER-2020 curriculum framework, the students do not earn any credits based on the academic hours they spend. However, as per the conventional methodology of credit calculations, the curriculum of ER-2020 shall be deemed equivalent to 80 credits that shall be used for the administrative purposes, wherever necessary.

Further, the 'Competencies for the Indian D.Pharm Holders' based on the knowledge, skill, attitude and value that are essential for the successful practice of the profession have been derived. These competencies have also been mapped with the individual courses of the curriculum based on the expected outcomes of the individual course. Thus, the courses and the competencies are interlaced in such a way that multiple courses contribute to build one competency and one course contributes to build more than one competency, which reveal the strength of the competency mapping.

The Council strongly believes that the ER-2020 regulations, curriculum and syllabus will uplift the knowledge and skills of the students on par with the contemporary and future professional demands and enable them to be a successful practitioner in the chosen field of pharmacy.

By considering the substantial changes and inclusion of advanced and current subject matters in the new syllabus, the Council shall conduct series of meetings, seminars, conferences, workshops, and webinars for the faculty members handling D.Pharm courses and equip them to deliver such new courses / topics more effectively and efficiently.

The Council appreciate all the efforts of the Members for successfully bringing out the Education Regulations 2020, curriculum and syllabus. Also, profound gratitude to all the stakeholders who contributed directly or indirectly in completing this task.

# Competencies for the Indian D.Pharm Holders

Competency is defined as “A distinct composite of knowledge, skill, attitude and value that is essential to the practice of the profession in real life contexts”.

The candidates who successfully complete the Diploma in Pharmacy (D.Pharm) program of Education Regulations 2020 (ER-2020), from the institutions approved by the Pharmacy Council of India are expected to attain the following professional competencies.

1. Review Prescriptions
2. Dispense Prescription / Non-Prescription Medicines
3. Provide Patient Counselling / Education
4. Hospital and Community Pharmacy Management
5. Expertise on Medications
6. Proficiency on drugs / pharmaceuticals
7. Entrepreneurship and Leadership
8. Deliver Primary and Preventive Healthcare
9. Professional, Ethical and Legal Practice
10. Continuing Professional Development

**1. Review Prescriptions:** The student should receive and handle prescriptions in a professional manner and be able to check for their completeness and correctness. Also, the prescribers should be contacted for any clarifications and corrections in the prescriptions with suggestions if any.

**2. Dispense Prescription / Non-Prescription Medicines:** The student should be able to dispense the various scheduled drugs / medicines as per the implications of the Drug & Cosmetics Act and Rules thereunder. Also, the non-prescription medicines (over-the-counter drugs) should be dispensed judiciously to the patients as required.

**3. Provide Patient Counselling / Education:** The student should be able to effectively counsel / educate the patients / caretakers about the prescription / non-prescription medicines and other health related issues. Effective communication includes using both oral and written communication skills and various communication techniques.

**4. Hospital and Community Pharmacy Management:** The student should be able to manage the drug distribution system as per the policies and guidelines of the hospital pharmacy, good community pharmacy practice and the recommendations of regulatory agencies. Also, be able to manage the procurement, inventory, and distribution of medicines in hospital / community pharmacy settings.

**5. Expertise on Medications:** The student should be able to provide an expert opinion on medications to health care professionals on safe and effective medication-use, relevant policies and procedures based on available evidences.

**6. Proficiency on Pharmaceutical Formulations:** The student should be able to describe the chemistry, characteristics, types, merits and demerits of both drugs and excipients used in pharmaceutical formulations based on her/his knowledge and scientific resources.

**7. Entrepreneurship and Leadership:** The student should be able to acquire the entrepreneurial skills in the dynamic professional environments. Also, be able to achieve leadership skills through teamwork and sound decision-making skills.

**8. Deliver Primary and Preventive Healthcare:** The student should be able to contribute to various healthcare programs of the nation including disease prevention initiatives to improve public health. Also contribute to the promotion of national health policies.

**9. Professional, Ethical and Legal Practice:** The student should be able to deliver professional services in accordance with legal, ethical, and professional guidelines with integrity.

**10. Continuing Professional Development:** The student should be able to recognize the gaps in the knowledge and skills in the effective delivery of professional services from time to time and be self-motivated to bridge such gaps by attending continuing professional development programs.

## Competency Mapping with the Courses (Part I, II & III) of Education Regulations 2020

Competencies	Pharmacology	Community Pharmacy & Management	Biochemistry & Clinical Pathology	Pharmacotherapeutics	Hospital & Clinical Pharmacy	Pharmacy Law & Ethics	Practical Training
1. Review the Prescriptions	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
2. Dispense Prescription / Non-Prescription Medicines	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
3. Provide Patient Counselling / Education	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
4. Hospital and Community Pharmacy Management		√			√	√	√
5. Expertise on Medications	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
6. Proficiency on Pharmaceutical Formulations	√			√			√
7. Entrepreneurship and Leadership		√			√		√
8. Deliver Primary and Preventive Healthcare	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
9. Professional, Ethical and Legal Practice		√		√	√	√	√
10. Continuing Professional Development	√	√		√	√	√	√

## ER-2020 D.Pharm Syllabus – An Overview

The ER-2020 D.Pharm Syllabus has the following structure in every course. Though the theory and practical courses are not mutually exclusive, as per the Regulations, the theory and practical are to be considered as individual courses.

**Scope:** These are broader statements on the purpose of the course in the curriculum, key contents of the course that will contribute to the specific knowledge and or skill developments. The teacher is expected to orient the students about the scope of the particular course at the beginning and intermittently.

**Course Objectives:** The course objectives describe the key topics that are intended by the teacher to be covered in the course. In general, these are more specific than the scope and broader than the course outcomes. The teacher is expected to discuss the objectives of the course with the students and break-down the course objectives into micro levels as objectives of a specific topic / objectives of a specific lecture, etc. Such an exercise shall make the students to understand the significance of the course / topic / lecture and enhance their attention on the course / topic / lecture.

**Course Outcomes:** The course outcomes are more specific than the course objectives describe that describe the abilities of the students to perform/act, upon successful completion of the course. Hence, conventionally the course outcomes are described with verbs that are measurable or observable actions. The teacher is expected to describe the desired outcomes of the particular course, so that the students shall understand the various assessment criteria, modalities, and parameters. This also serves as a broader guideline for the teachers for preparing the assessment plan. A well-structured assessment plan associated with the course outcomes shall enable to mapping with the professional competencies and their attainment levels that are attributed to the program outcomes.

**Theory Courses:** The theory courses basically provide concepts and explain the relationships between the concepts. Understanding of the theoretical courses enable the students to identify the problems in real life situation and make a plan for addressing such problems. Also, the theory course helps to understand what is not known and thus is the tool for accumulation of knowledge. The syllabus of the theory courses has been systematically and logically described as different chapters and the minimum number of hours to be spent on teaching are mentioned chapter wise and course wise. The teachers shall further distribute the total hours of any given chapter among the sub-topics as required by the subject matter.

**Practical Courses:** The practical courses are designed for applying the theoretical knowledge in the given experimental / simulated conditions. The practical courses deepen the understanding of theories, develop the skills, hone professional competencies, provide opportunities to observe, think and analyse problem solving methods. Further, they help to gain experience with the real things in practice. The teachers shall train the students in actual / simulated practical conditions.

**Tutorials:** The purpose of the tutorial hour is typically to engage the students in smaller groups in order to pay a closer attention on their learning process. This is an opportunity for the students to complete their assignments, develop specific skills, discuss any problems in the study topics in a less formal way. During the tutorial hour, the students shall exchange their ideas within the small group, and learn to accept constructive criticism and listen to others. Also, the tutorial hour enables the teachers to closely monitor the progress of the individual student and provide additional academic support to individuals, if necessary.

**Assignments:** The purpose the assignments are to encourage the students for self-directed learning. Further, the assignments will provoke critical thinking, enhance the skills such as literature search, data mining, data interpretation, report formatting, time-management, and written communication. This is also a mode of self-assessment for the student about the level of understanding of the concepts of a particular course. The teachers shall apply their knowledge and wisdom in choosing the assignment topics at a micro level in alignment with the topics given in the syllabus. The assignments shall be evaluated against a set of criteria. A typical format for the assessment of an assignment is given in Appendix -1.

**Field Visits:** The purpose of field visits is to provide a real-world experience to the students. The field visits will help them to realize that what they learn within the walls of the classroom / laboratory can help them solve the problems they see in the world around them. Also, this is helpful to the teachers to widen their horizons of knowledge and broadening the scope of the syllabus. Every student shall submit a report describing their objectives, experience, learning points, etc. pertaining to the field trip, in the typical format given in Appendix-2.

**Recommended Books:** For each course, a list of recommended books is given in the syllabus. The list shall be considered as an important and common resource for the teaching-learning process, but not the complete list. It is always encouraged to use the latest edition of the books specified. Further, the teachers and students are encouraged to explore more primary, secondary, and tertiary resources as required.

**Practical Training:** The goal of the practical training for the students is to provide a real-time, supervised experience on the professional tasks emphasised in their course of study. Further, it helps them to apply their acquired knowledge and skills in the professional working environment. The practical training intensively prepares the students with adequate competencies and qualifications required for the career opportunity in the future.

Thus, the ER 2020 D.Pharm syllabus is designed to nurture the students in all the three domains of Bloom's Taxonomy viz. cognitive (knowledge), affective (attitude) and psychomotor (skills). Further, it also provides ample of scope to the students for different learning styles viz. visual, auditory and kinaesthetic, i.e., 'see, hear and do'.

The summary of the curriculum, courses and other activities and their metrics across the ER-2020 D.Pharm program (Part I, II & III) are given here.

<b>Criteria</b>	<b>Metrics</b>
Number of subject areas (considering both theory & practical together)	11
Number of theory courses	11
Number of practical courses	10
Number of theory hours	825
Number of practical hours	600
Number of practical training hours	500
Number of tutorial hours	275
Number of course outcomes for theory courses	45
Number of course outcomes for practical courses	40
Number of courses which have given assignments	9
Number of assignment topics given	75
Number of assignments reports each student shall submit	27
Number of courses which have field visit	5
Number of field visit reports each student shall submit	9
Number of professional competencies	10

# Guidelines for the conduct of theory examinations

## Sessional Examinations

There shall be two or more periodic sessional (internal assessment) examinations during each academic year. The duration of the sessional exam shall be 90 minutes. The highest aggregate of any two performances shall form the basis of calculating the sessional marks. The scheme of the question paper for theory sessional examinations shall be as given below.

I. Long Answers (Answer 3 out of 4)	3 x 5 = 15
II. Short Answers (Answer 5 out of 6)	5 x 3 = 15
III. Objective type Answers (Answer all 10 out of 10) (Multiple Choice Questions / Fill-in the Blanks / One word OR one Sentence questions)	10 x 1 = 10
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Total =	40 marks
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**Internal assessment:** The marks secured by the students out of the total 40 shall be reduced to 20 in each sessional, and then the internal assessment shall be calculated based on the best two averages for 20 marks.

## Final Board / University Examinations

The scheme of the question paper for the theory examinations conducted by the examining authority (Board / University) shall be as given below. The duration of the final examination shall be 3 hours.

I. Long Answers (Answer 6 out of 7)	=	6 x 5 = 30
II. Short Answers (Answer 10 out of 11)	=	10 x 3 = 30
III. Objective type Answers (Answer all 20) (Multiple Choice Questions / Fill-in the Blanks / One word OR one Sentence questions)	=	20 x 1 = 20
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Total =		80 marks
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# Guidelines for the conduct of practical examinations

## Sessional Examinations

There shall be two or more periodic sessional (internal assessment) practical examinations during each academic year. The duration of the sessional exam shall be three hours. The highest aggregate of any two performances shall form the basis of calculating the sessional marks. The scheme of the question paper for practical sessional examinations shall be as given below.

I. Synopsis	=	10
II. Experiments	=	50*
III. Viva voce	=	10
IV. Practical Record Maintenance	=	10
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Total	=	80 marks
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\* The marks for the experiments shall be divided into various categories, viz. major experiment, minor experiment, spotters, etc. as per the requirement of the course.

**Internal assessment:** The marks secured by the students out of the total of 80 shall be reduced to 10 in each sessional, and then the internal assessment shall be calculated based on the best two averages for 10 marks from the sessional and other 10 marks shall be awarded as per the details given below.

Actual performance in the sessional examination	=	10 marks
Assignment marks (Average of three)	=	5 marks*
Field Visit Report marks (Average for the reports)	=	5 marks <sup>\$</sup>
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Total	=	20 marks
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\*, \$ Only for the courses given with both assignments and field visit/s

### Note:

1. For the courses having either assignments or field visit/s, the assessments of assignments or field visit/s shall be done directly for 10 marks and added to the sessional marks.
2. For the courses not having both assignment and field visit, the whole 20 marks shall be calculated from the sessional marks.

### **Final Board / University Examinations**

The scheme of the question paper for the practical examinations conducted by the examining authority (Board / University) shall be as given below. The duration of the final examination shall be 3 hours.

I. Synopsis	=	10
II. Experiments	=	60*
III. Viva voce	=	10
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Total	=	80 marks
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\* The marks for the experiments shall be divided into various categories, viz. major experiment, minor experiment, spotters, etc. as per the requirement of the course.

## ER-2020 D.Pharm Syllabus – Part II

S. No.	Course Code	Name of the Course	Total Theory / Practical Hours	Total Tutorial Hours	Theory / Practical Hours per Week	Tutorial Hours per Week
1.	ER20-21T	Pharmacology – Theory	75	25	3	1
2.	ER20-21P	Pharmacology – Practical	50	-	2	-
3.	ER20-22T	Community Pharmacy & Management – Theory	75	25	3	1
4.	ER20-22P	Community Pharmacy & Management – Practical	75	-	3	-
5.	ER20-23T	Biochemistry & Clinical Pathology - Theory	75	25	3	1
6.	ER20-23P	Biochemistry & Clinical Pathology - Practical	50	-	2	-
7.	ER20-24T	Pharmacotherapeutics – Theory	75	25	3	1
8.	ER20-24P	Pharmacotherapeutics – Practical	25	-	1	-
9.	ER20-25T	Hospital & Clinical Pharmacy - Theory	75	25	3	1
10.	ER20-25P	Hospital & Clinical Pharmacy - Practical	25	-	1	-
11.	ER20-26T	Pharmacy Law & Ethics	75	25	3	1

## PHARMACOLOGY – THEORY

**Course Code:** ER20-21T

**75 Hours (3 Hours/week)**

**Scope:** This course provides basic knowledge about different classes of drugs available for the pharmacotherapy of common diseases. The indications for use, dosage regimen, routes of administration, pharmacokinetics, pharmacodynamics, and contraindications of the drugs discussed in this course are vital for successful professional practice.

**Course Objectives:** This course will discuss the following:

1. General concepts of pharmacology including pharmacokinetics, pharmacodynamics, routes of administration, etc.
2. Pharmacological classification and indications of drugs
3. Dosage regimen, mechanisms of action, contraindications of drugs
4. Common adverse effects of drugs

**Course Outcomes:** Upon successful completion of this course, the students will be able to

1. Describe the basic concepts of pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics
2. Enlist the various classes and drugs of choices for any given disease condition
3. Advise the dosage regimen, route of administration and contraindications for a given drug
4. Describe the common adverse drug reactions

Chapter	Topic	Hours
1	<b>General Pharmacology</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Introduction and scope of Pharmacology</li><li>• Various routes of drug administration - advantages and disadvantages</li><li>• Drug absorption - definition, types, factors affecting drug absorption</li><li>• Bioavailability and the factors affecting bioavailability</li><li>• Drug distribution - definition, factors affecting drug distribution</li><li>• Biotransformation of drugs - Definition, types of biotransformation reactions, factors influencing drug metabolisms</li><li>• Excretion of drugs - Definition, routes of drug excretion</li><li>• General mechanisms of drug action and factors modifying drug action</li></ul>	10

2	<p><b>Drugs Acting on the Peripheral Nervous System</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Steps involved in neurohumoral transmission</li> <li>• Definition, classification, pharmacological actions, dose, indications, and contraindications of <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Cholinergic drugs</li> <li>b) Anti-Cholinergic drugs</li> <li>c) Adrenergic drugs</li> <li>d) Anti-adrenergic drugs</li> <li>e) Neuromuscular blocking agents</li> <li>f) Drugs used in Myasthenia gravis</li> <li>g) Local anaesthetic agents</li> <li>h) Non-Steroidal Anti-Inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	11
3	<p><b>Drugs Acting on the Eye</b></p> <p>Definition, classification, pharmacological actions, dose, indications and contraindications of</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Miotics</li> <li>• Mydriatics</li> <li>• Drugs used in Glaucoma</li> </ul>	2
4	<p><b>Drugs Acting on the Central Nervous System</b></p> <p>Definition, classification, pharmacological actions, dose, indications, and contraindications of</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• General anaesthetics</li> <li>• Hypnotics and sedatives</li> <li>• Anti-Convulsant drugs</li> <li>• Anti-anxiety drugs</li> <li>• Anti-depressant drugs</li> <li>• Anti-psychotics</li> <li>• Nootropic agents</li> <li>• Centrally acting muscle relaxants</li> <li>• Opioid analgesics</li> </ul>	8
5	<p><b>Drugs Acting on the Cardiovascular System</b></p> <p>Definition, classification, pharmacological actions, dose, indications, and contraindications of</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Anti-hypertensive drugs</li> <li>• Anti-anginal drugs</li> <li>• Anti-arrhythmic drugs</li> <li>• Drugs used in atherosclerosis and Congestive heart failure</li> <li>• Drug therapy for shock</li> </ul>	6

<b>6</b>	<b>Drugs Acting on Blood and Blood Forming Organs</b> Definition, classification, pharmacological actions, dose, indications, and contraindications of <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hematinic agents</li> <li>• Anti-coagulants</li> <li>• Anti-platelet agents</li> <li>• Thrombolytic drugs</li> </ul>	<b>4</b>
<b>7</b>	Definition, classification, pharmacological actions, dose, indications, and contraindications of <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bronchodilators</li> <li>• Expectorants</li> <li>• Anti-tussive agents</li> <li>• Mucolytic agents</li> </ul>	<b>2</b>
<b>8</b>	<b>Drugs Acting on the Gastro Intestinal Tract</b> Definition, classification, pharmacological actions, dose, indications, and contraindications of <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Anti-ulcer drugs</li> <li>• Anti-emetics</li> <li>• Laxatives and purgatives</li> <li>• Anti-diarrheal drugs</li> </ul>	<b>5</b>
<b>9</b>	<b>Drugs Acting on the Kidney</b> Definition, classification, pharmacological actions, dose, indications, and contraindications of <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Diuretics</li> <li>• Anti-Diuretics</li> </ul>	<b>2</b>
<b>10</b>	<b>Hormones and Hormone Antagonists</b> Physiological and pathological role and clinical uses of <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thyroid hormones</li> <li>• Anti-thyroid drugs</li> <li>• Parathormone</li> <li>• Calcitonin</li> <li>• Vitamin D</li> <li>• Insulin</li> <li>• Oral hypoglycemic agents</li> <li>• Estrogen</li> <li>• Progesterone</li> <li>• Oxytocin</li> <li>• Corticosteroids</li> </ul>	<b>8</b>

11	<b>Autocoids</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Physiological role of Histamine, 5 HT and Prostaglandins</li> <li>• Classification, clinical uses, and adverse effects of antihistamines and 5 HT antagonists</li> </ul>	3
12	<b>Chemotherapeutic Agents:</b> Introduction, basic principles of chemotherapy of infections, infestations and neoplastic diseases, Classification, dose, indication and contraindications of drugs belonging to following classes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Penicillins</li> <li>• Cephalosporins</li> <li>• Aminoglycosides</li> <li>• Fluoroquinolones</li> <li>• Macrolides</li> <li>• Tetracyclines</li> <li>• Sulphonamides</li> <li>• Anti-tubercular drugs</li> <li>• Anti-fungal drugs</li> <li>• Anti-viral drugs</li> <li>• Anti-amoebic agents</li> <li>• Anthelmintics</li> <li>• Anti-malarial agents</li> <li>• Anti-neoplastic agents</li> </ul>	12
13	<b>Biologicals</b> Definition, types, and indications of biological agents with examples	2

## PHARMACOLOGY – PRACTICAL

**Course Code: ER20-21P**

**50 Hours (2 Hours/week)**

**Scope:** This course provides the basic understanding about the uses, mechanisms of actions, dose dependent responses of drugs in simulated virtual animal models and experimental conditions.

**Course Objectives:** This course will demonstrate / provide hands-on experience in the virtual platform using appropriate software on the following

1. Study of pharmacological effects of drugs like local anaesthetics, mydriatic and mitotic on rabbit eye
2. Screening the effects of various drugs acting in the central nervous system
3. Study of drug effects on isolated organs / tissues
4. Study of pyrogen testing on rabbit

**Course Outcomes:** Upon successful completion of this course, the students will be able to

1. Study and report the local anaesthetic, mydriatic and mitotic effects of the given drug on the rabbit eye
2. Choose appropriate animal experiment model to study the effects of the given drugs acting on the central nervous system and submit the report
3. Perform the effects of given tissues (simulated) on isolated organs / tissues and interpret the results
4. Interpret the dose dependent responses of drugs in various animal experiment models

## **Practicals**

**Introduction to the following topics pertaining to the experimental pharmacology have to be discussed and documented in the practical manuals.**

1. Introduction to experimental pharmacology
2. Study of laboratory animals  
(a) Mice; (b) Rats; (c) Guinea pigs; (d) Rabbits
3. Commonly used instruments in experimental pharmacology
4. Different routes of administration of drugs in animals
5. Types of pre-clinical experiments: In-Vivo, In-Vitro, Ex-Vivo, etc.
6. Techniques of blood collection from animals

## **Experiments**

**Note:** Animals shall not be used for doing / demonstrating any of the experiments given. The given experiments shall be carried-out / demonstrated as the case may be, ONLY with the use of software program(s) such as 'Ex Pharm' or any other suitable software

1. Study of local anaesthetics on rabbit eye
2. Study of Mydriatic effect on rabbit eye
3. Study of Miotic effect on rabbit eye
4. Effect of analgesics using Analgesiometer
5. Study of analgesic activity by writhing test
6. Screening of anti-convulsant using Electro Convulsiometer
7. Screening of Muscle relaxants using Rota-Rod apparatus
8. Screening of CNS stimulants and depressants using Actophotometer
9. Study of anxiolytic activity using elevated plus maze method
10. Study of effect of drugs (any 2) on isolated heart
11. Effect of drugs on ciliary motility on frog's buccal cavity
12. Pyrogen testing by rabbit method

## **Assignments**

The students shall be asked to submit written assignments on the following topics (One assignment per student per sessional period. i.e., a minimum of THREE assignments per student)

1. Introduction to Allergy Testing
2. Introduction to Toxicity Studies
3. Drug Facts Labels of US FDA
4. Pre-clinical studies in new drug development
5. Medicines and meals: Before or After food
6. Pre-clinical studies in new drug development
7. Drugs available as paediatric formulations
8. Drug information apps

## COMMUNITY PHARMACY AND MANAGEMENT – THEORY

Course Code: ER20-22T

75 Hours (3 Hours/week)

**Scope:** The course is designed to impart basic knowledge and skills to provide various pharmaceutical care services to patients and general practitioners in the community setup.

**Course Objectives:** This course will discuss the following:

1. Establishing and running a community pharmacy and its legal requirements
2. Professional aspects of handling and filling prescriptions
3. Patient counselling on diseases, prescription and or non-prescription medicines
4. Scope for performing basic health screening in community pharmacy settings

**Course Outcomes:** Upon successful completion of this course, the students will be able to

1. Describe the establishment, legal requirements, and effective administration of a community pharmacy
2. Professionally handle prescriptions and dispense medications
3. Counsel patients about the disease, prescription and or non-prescription medicines
4. Perform basic health screening on patients and interpret the reports in the community pharmacy settings

Chapter	Topic	Hours
1	<b>Community Pharmacy Practice</b> – Definition, history and development of community pharmacy - International and Indian scenarios	2
2	Professional responsibilities of community pharmacists  Introduction to the concept of Good Pharmacy Practice and SOPs.	3
3	<b>Prescription and prescription handling</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Definition, parts of prescriptions, legality of prescriptions, prescription handling, labelling of dispensed medications (Main label, ancillary label, pictograms), brief instructions on medication usage</li><li>• Dispensing process, Good Dispensing Practices, dispensing errors and strategies to minimize them</li></ul>	7

4	<b>Communication skills</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Definition, types of communication skills</li> <li>• Interactions with professionals and patients</li> <li>• Verbal communication skills (one-to-one, over the telephone)</li> <li>• Written communication skills</li> <li>• Body language</li> <li>• Patient interview techniques</li> </ul>	6
5	<b>Patient counselling</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Definition and benefits of patient counselling</li> <li>• <b>Stages of patient counselling</b> - Introduction, counselling content, counselling process, and closing the counselling session</li> <li>• <b>Barriers to effective counseling</b> - Types and strategies to overcome the barriers</li> <li>• <b>Patient counselling points for chronic diseases/disorders</b> - Hypertension, Diabetes, Asthma, Tuberculosis, Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, and AIDS</li> <li>• <b>Patient Package Inserts</b> - Definition, importance and benefits, Scenarios of PPI use in India and other countries</li> <li>• <b>Patient Information leaflets</b> - Definition and uses</li> </ul>	10
6	<b>Medication Adherence</b> Definition, factors influencing non-adherence, strategies to overcome non-adherence	2
7	<b>Health Screening Services in Community Pharmacy</b> Introduction, scope, and importance of various health screening services - for routine monitoring of patients, early detection, and referral of undiagnosed cases	5
9	<b>Over The Counter (OTC) Medications</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Definition, need and role of Pharmacists in OTC medication dispensing</li> <li>• OTC medications in India, counseling for OTC products</li> <li>• Self-medication and role of pharmacists in promoting the safe practices during self-medication</li> <li>• Responding to symptoms, minor ailments, and advice for self-care in conditions such as - Pain management, Cough, Cold, Diarrhea, Constipation, Vomiting, Fever, Sore throat, Skin disorders, Oral health (mouth ulcers, dental pain, gum swelling)</li> </ul>	15

<b>10</b>	<p><b>Community Pharmacy Management</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Legal requirements to set up a community pharmacy</li> <li>• Site selection requirements</li> <li>• Pharmacy designs and interiors</li> <li>• Vendor selection and ordering</li> <li>• Procurement, inventory control methods, and inventory management</li> <li>• Financial planning and management</li> <li>• Accountancy in community pharmacy - Day book, Cash book</li> <li>• Introduction to pharmacy operation softwares - usefulness and availability</li> <li>• Customer Relation Management (CRM)</li> <li>• Audits in Pharmacies</li> <li>• SOP of Pharmacy Management</li> <li>• Introduction to Digital Health, mHealth and Online pharmacies</li> </ul>	<b>25</b>
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## **COMMUNITY PHARMACY AND MANAGEMENT – PRACTICAL**

**Course Code: ER20-22P**

**75 Hours (3 Hours/week)**

**Scope:** The course is designed to train the students and improve professional skills to provide various pharmaceutical care services in community pharmacy.

**Course Objectives:** This course will train the students in the following

1. Professional handling and filling prescriptions
2. Patient counselling on diseases and minor ailments
3. Patient counselling on prescription and / or non-prescription medicines
4. Preparation of counselling materials such as patient information leaflets
5. Performing basic health screening tests

**Course Outcomes:** Upon successful completion of this course, the students will be able to

1. Handle and fill prescriptions in a professional manner
2. Counsel patients on various diseases and minor ailments
3. Counsel patients on prescription and or non-prescription medicines
4. Design and prepare patient information leaflets
5. Perform basic health screening tests

## Practicals

**Note:** The following practicals shall be carried out in the model community pharmacy with appropriate simulated scenarios and materials. Students shall be trained through role plays wherever necessary. The activities of the students shall be assessed / evaluated using a structured objective assessment form.

1. Handling of prescriptions with professional standards, reviewing prescriptions, checking for legal compliance and completeness (minimum 5)
2. Identification of drug-drug interactions in the prescription and follow-up actions (minimum 2)
3. Preparation of dispensing labels and auxiliary labels for the prescribed medications (minimum 5)
4. Providing the following health screening services for monitoring patients / detecting new patients (one experiment for each activity)
  - Blood Pressure Recording, Capillary Blood Glucose Monitoring, Lung function assessment using Peak Flow Meter and incentive spirometer, recording capillary oxygen level using Pulse Oximeter, BMI measurement
5. Providing counselling to simulated patients for the following chronic diseases / disorders including education on the use of devices such as insulin pen, inhalers, spacers, nebulizers, etc. where appropriate (one experiment for each disease)
  - Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus, Primary Hypertension, Asthma, Hyperlipidaemia, Rheumatoid Arthritis
6. Providing counselling to simulated patients for the following minor ailments (any three)
  - Headache, GI disturbances (Nausea, Vomiting, Dyspepsia, diarrhoea, constipation), Worm infestations, Pyrexia, Upper Respiratory Tract infections, Skin infections, Oral and dental disorders.
- 7 Appropriate handling of dummy dosage forms with correct administration techniques - oral liquids with measuring cup/cap/dropper, Eye Drops, Inhalers, Nasal drops, Insulin pen, nebulizers, different types of tablets, patches, enemas, suppositories
- 8 Use of Community Pharmacy Software and digital health tools

## Assignments

The students shall be asked to submit written assignments on the following topics (One assignment per student per sessional period. i.e., a minimum of THREE assignments per student)

1. SOPs for various activities in Community Pharmacy (as discussed in Theory and Practical)

2. List out the various abbreviations, short forms used in prescriptions and their interpretation
3. Patient Information Leaflet for a given chronic disease / disorder
4. Patient Information Leaflet for prescription / non-prescription medicines
5. Preparation of window / shelf display materials for the model community pharmacy
6. Overview of Software available for retail pharmacy management including billing, inventory, etc.
7. Dosage / Medication Reminder Aids
8. Overview on the operations and marketing strategies of various online pharmacies
9. Overview on the common fixed dose combinations
10. Overview on the medications requiring special storage conditions
11. Role of Community Pharmacists in preventing Antimicrobial Resistance
12. Jan Aushadhi and other Generic Medicine initiatives in India
13. Global Overview of Online Pharmacies
14. Community Pharmacy Practice Standards: Global Vs. Indian Scenario
15. Overview of pharmacy associations in India

### **Field Visit**

The students shall be taken in groups to visit community pharmacies and medicine distributors to understand and witness the professional activities of the community pharmacists, and supply chain logistics. Individual reports from each student on their learning experience from the field visit shall be submitted.

## BIOCHEMISTRY & CLINICAL PATHOLOGY – THEORY

**Course Code: ER20-23T**

**75 Hours (3 Hours/week)**

**Scope:** This course is designed to impart basic knowledge on the study of structure and functions of biomolecules and the chemical processes associated with living cells in normal and abnormal states. The course also emphasizes on the clinical pathology of blood and urine.

**Course Objectives:** This course will discuss the following at the fundamental level

1. Structure and functions of biomolecules
2. Catalytic activity, diagnostic and therapeutic importance of enzymes
3. Metabolic pathways of biomolecules in health and illness (metabolic disorders)
4. Biochemical principles of organ function tests and their clinical significance
5. Qualitative and quantitative determination of biomolecules / metabolites in the biological sample
6. Clinical pathology of blood and urine

**Course Outcomes:** Upon successful completion of this course, the students will be able to

1. Describe the functions of biomolecules
2. Discuss the various functions of enzymes in the human system
3. Explain the metabolic pathways of biomolecules in both physiological and pathological conditions
4. Describe the principles of organ function tests and their clinical significances
5. Determine the biomolecules / metabolites in the given biological samples, both qualitatively and quantitatively
6. Describe the clinical pathology of blood and urine

Chapter	Topic	Hours
1	<b>Introduction to biochemistry:</b> Scope of biochemistry in pharmacy; Cell and its biochemical organization.	2
2	<b>Carbohydrates</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Definition, classification with examples, chemical properties</li><li>• Monosaccharides - Structure of glucose, fructose, and galactose</li><li>• Disaccharides - structure of maltose, lactose, and sucrose</li><li>• Polysaccharides - chemical nature of starch and glycogen</li><li>• Qualitative tests and biological role of carbohydrates</li></ul>	5

3	<p><b>Proteins</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Definition, classification of proteins based on composition and solubility with examples</li> <li>• Definition, classification of amino acids based on chemical nature and nutritional requirements with examples</li> <li>• Structure of proteins (four levels of organization of protein structure)</li> <li>• Qualitative tests and biological role of proteins and amino acids</li> <li>• Diseases related to malnutrition of proteins.</li> </ul>	5
4	<p><b>Lipids</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Definition, classification with examples</li> <li>• Structure and properties of triglycerides (oils and fats)</li> <li>• Fatty acid classification - Based on chemical and nutritional requirements with examples</li> <li>• Structure and functions of cholesterol in the body</li> <li>• Lipoproteins - types, composition and functions in the body</li> <li>• Qualitative tests and functions of lipids</li> </ul>	5
5	<p><b>Nucleic acids</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Definition, purine and pyrimidine bases</li> <li>• Components of nucleosides and nucleotides with examples</li> <li>• Structure of DNA (Watson and Crick model), RNA and their functions</li> </ul>	4
6	<p><b>Enzymes</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Definition, properties and IUB and MB classification</li> <li>• Factors affecting enzyme activity</li> <li>• Mechanism of action of enzymes, Enzyme inhibitors</li> <li>• Therapeutic and pharmaceutical importance of enzymes</li> </ul>	5
7	<p><b>Vitamins</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Definition and classification with examples</li> <li>• Sources, chemical nature, functions, coenzyme form, recommended dietary requirements, deficiency diseases of fat-and water-soluble vitamins</li> </ul>	6
8	<p><b>Metabolism</b> (Study of cycle/pathways without chemical structures)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Metabolism of Carbohydrates: Glycolysis, TCA cycle and glycogen metabolism, regulation of blood glucose</li> </ul>	20

	<p>level. Diseases related to abnormal metabolism of Carbohydrates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Metabolism of lipids: Lipolysis, <math>\beta</math>-oxidation of Fatty acid (Palmitic acid) ketogenesis and ketolysis. Diseases related to abnormal metabolism of lipids such as Ketoacidosis, Fatty liver, Hypercholesterolemia</li> <li>• Metabolism of Amino acids (Proteins): General reactions of amino acids and its significance-Transamination, deamination, Urea cycle and decarboxylation. Diseases related to abnormal metabolism of amino acids, Disorders of ammonia metabolism, phenylketonuria, alkaptonuria and Jaundice.</li> <li>• Biological oxidation: Electron transport chain and Oxidative phosphorylation</li> </ul>	
<b>9</b>	<b>Minerals:</b> Types, Functions, Deficiency diseases, recommended dietary requirements	<b>05</b>
<b>10</b>	<p><b>Water and Electrolytes</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Distribution, functions of water in the body</li> <li>• Water turnover and balance</li> <li>• Electrolyte composition of the body fluids, Dietary intake of electrolyte and Electrolyte balance</li> <li>• Dehydration, causes of dehydration and oral rehydration therapy</li> </ul>	<b>05</b>
<b>11</b>	Introduction to Biotechnology	<b>01</b>
<b>12</b>	<p><b>Organ function tests</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Functions of kidney and routinely performed tests to assess the functions of kidney and their clinical significances</li> <li>• Functions of liver and routinely performed tests to assess the functions of liver and their clinical significances</li> <li>• Lipid profile tests and its clinical significances</li> </ul>	<b>06</b>
<b>13</b>	<p><b>Introduction to Pathology of Blood and Urine</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lymphocytes and Platelets, their role in health and disease</li> <li>• Erythrocytes - Abnormal cells and their significance</li> <li>• Normal and Abnormal constituents of Urine and their significance</li> </ul>	<b>06</b>

## BIOCHEMISTRY & CLINICAL PATHOLOGY – PRACTICAL

**Course Code:** ER20-23P

**50 Hours (2 Hours/week)**

**Scope:** This course is designed to train the students in the qualitative testing of various biomolecules and testing of biological samples for determination of normal and abnormal constituents

**Course Objectives:** This course will train and provide hands-on experiences on the following

1. Qualitative determination of biomolecules / metabolites in simulated biological samples
2. Determination of normal and abnormal constituents of simulated blood and urine samples

**Course Outcomes:** Upon successful completion of this course, the students will be able to

1. Qualitatively determine the biomolecules / metabolites in the given biological samples
2. Determine the normal and abnormal constituents in blood and urine samples and interpret the results of such testing

### Practicals

1. Qualitative analysis of carbohydrates (4 experiments)
2. Qualitative analysis of Proteins and amino acids (4 experiments)
3. Qualitative analysis of lipids (2 experiments)
4. Qualitative analysis of urine for normal and abnormal constituents (4 experiments)
5. Determination of constituents of urine (glucose, creatinine, chlorides) (2 experiments)
6. Determination of constituents of blood/serum (simulated) (Creatine, glucose, cholesterol, Calcium, Urea, SGOT/SGPT) (5 experiments)
7. Study the hydrolysis of starch from acid and salivary amylase enzyme (1 experiment)

### Assignments

The students shall be asked to submit written assignments on Various Pathology Lab Reports (One assignment per student per sessional period. i.e., a minimum of THREE assignments per student)

## PHARMACOTHERAPEUTICS - THEORY

Course Code: ER20-24T

75 Hours (3 Hours/week)

**Scope:** This course is designed to impart basic knowledge on etiopathogenesis of common diseases and their management along with quality use of medicines.

**Course Objectives:** This course will discuss about

1. Etiopathogenesis of selected common diseases and evidence-based medicine therapy
2. Importance of individualized therapeutic plans based on diagnosis
3. Basic methods for assessing the clinical outcomes of drug therapy

**Course Outcomes:** Upon successful completion of this course, the students will be able to

1. Help assessing the subjective and objective parameters of patients in common disease conditions
2. Assist other healthcare providers to analyse drug related problems and provide therapeutic interventions
3. Participate in planning the rational medicine therapy for common diseases
4. Design and deliver discharge counselling for patients

Chapter	Topic	Hours
1	Pharmacotherapeutics - Introduction, scope, and objectives. Rational use of Medicines, Evidence Based Medicine, Essential Medicines List, Standard Treatment Guidelines (STGs)	8
2	<b>Definition, etiopathogenesis, clinical manifestations, non-pharmacological and pharmacological management of the diseases associated with</b>	
	<b>(a) Cardiovascular System</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Hypertension</li><li>• Angina and Myocardial infarction</li><li>• Hyperlipidaemia</li><li>• Congestive Heart Failure</li></ul>	8
	<b>(b) Respiratory System</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Asthma</li><li>• COPD</li></ul>	4
	<b>(c) Endocrine System</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Diabetes</li><li>• Thyroid disorders - Hypo and Hyperthyroidism</li></ul>	5
	<b>(d) Central Nervous System</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Epilepsy</li></ul>	8

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Parkinson's disease</li> <li>• Alzheimer's disease</li> <li>• Stroke</li> <li>• Migraine</li> </ul>	
<b>(e) Gastro Intestinal Disorders</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gastro oesophageal reflux disease</li> <li>• Peptic Ulcer Disease</li> <li>• Alcoholic liver disease</li> <li>• Inflammatory Bowel Diseases (Crohn's Disease and Ulcerative Colitis)</li> </ul>	<b>8</b>
<b>(f) Haematological disorders</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Iron deficiency anaemia</li> <li>• Megaloblastic anaemia</li> </ul>	<b>4</b>
<b>(g) Infectious diseases</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tuberculosis</li> <li>• Pneumonia</li> <li>• Urinary tract infections</li> <li>• Hepatitis</li> <li>• Gonorrhoea and Syphilis</li> <li>• Malaria</li> <li>• HIV and Opportunistic infections</li> <li>• Viral Infections (SARS, CoV2)</li> </ul>	<b>12</b>
<b>(h) Musculoskeletal disorders</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rheumatoid arthritis</li> <li>• Osteoarthritis</li> </ul>	<b>3</b>
<b>(i) Dermatology</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Psoriasis</li> <li>• Scabies</li> <li>• Eczema</li> </ul>	<b>3</b>
<b>(j) Psychiatric Disorders</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Depression</li> <li>• Anxiety</li> <li>• Psychosis</li> </ul>	<b>4</b>
<b>(k) Ophthalmology</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Conjunctivitis (bacterial and viral)</li> <li>• Glaucoma</li> </ul>	<b>2</b>
<b>(l) Anti-microbial Resistance</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>(m) Women's Health</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Polycystic Ovary Syndrome</li> <li>• Dysmenorrhea</li> <li>• Premenstrual Syndrome</li> </ul>	<b>4</b>

## PHARMACOTHERAPEUTICS – PRACTICAL

**Course Code: ER20-24P**

**25 Hours (1 Hour/week)**

**Scope:** This course is designed to train the students in the basic skills required to support the pharmaceutical care services for selected common disease conditions.

**Course Objectives:** This course will train the students on

1. How to prepare a SOAP (Subjective, Objective, Assessment and Plan) note for clinical cases of selected common diseases
2. Patient counselling techniques/methods for common disease conditions

**Course Outcomes:** Upon successful completion of this course, the students will be able to

1. Write SOAP (Subjective, Objective, Assessment and Plan) notes for the given clinical cases of selected common diseases
2. Counsel the patients about the disease conditions, uses of drugs, methods of handling and administration of drugs, life-style modifications, and monitoring parameters.

### Practicals

I. Preparation and discussion of SOAP (Subjective, Objective, Assessment and Plan) notes for at least SIX clinical cases (real / hypothetical) of the following disease conditions.

1. Hypertension
2. Angina Pectoris
3. Myocardial Infarction
4. Hyperlipidaemia
5. Rheumatoid arthritis
6. Asthma
7. COPD
8. Diabetes
9. Epilepsy
10. Stroke
11. Depression
12. Tuberculosis
13. Anaemia (any one type as covered in theory)
14. Viral infection (any one type as covered in theory)
15. Dermatological conditions (any one condition as covered in theory)

- II. Patient counselling exercises using role plays based on the real / hypothetical clinical case scenarios. The students are expected to provide counselling on disease condition, medications, life-style modifications, monitoring parameters, etc. and the same shall be documented. (Minimum 5 cases)
  
- III. Simulated cases to enable dose calculation of selected drugs in paediatrics, and geriatrics under various pathological conditions. (Minimum 4 cases)

## HOSPITAL AND CLINICAL PHARMACY – THEORY

**Course Code: ER20-25T**

**75 Hours (3 Hours/week)**

**Scope:** This course is designed to impart fundamental knowledge and professional skills required for facilitating various hospital and clinical pharmacy services.

**Course Objectives:** This course will discuss and train the students in the following

1. Hospital and Hospital Pharmacy organization and set-ups
2. Basics of hospital pharmacy services including the procurement, supply chain, storage of medicines and medical supplies
3. Basics of clinical pharmacy including introduction to comprehensive pharmaceutical care services
4. Basic interpretations of common laboratory results used in clinical diagnosis towards optimizing the drug therapy

**Course Outcomes:** Upon successful completion of this course, the students will be able to

1. Explain about the basic concepts of hospital pharmacy administration
2. Manage the supply chain and distribution of medicines within the hospital settings
3. Assist the other healthcare providers in monitoring drug therapy and address drug related problems
4. Interpret common lab investigation reports for optimizing drug therapy

S. No.	Topic	Hours
1	<b>Hospital Pharmacy</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Definition, scope, national and international scenario</li><li>• Organisational structure</li><li>• Professional responsibilities, Qualification and experience requirements, job specifications, work-load requirements and inter professional relationships</li><li>• Good Pharmacy Practice (GPP) in hospital</li><li>• Hospital Pharmacy Standards (FIP Basel Statements, AHSP)</li><li>• Introduction to NAQS guidelines and NABH Accreditation and Role of Pharmacists</li></ul>	6
2	<b>Different Committees in the Hospital</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee - Objectives, Composition, and functions</li><li>• Hospital Formulary - Definition, procedure for development and use of hospital formulary</li></ul>	4

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Infection Control Committee – Role of Pharmacist in preventing Antimicrobial Resistance</li> </ul>	
<b>4</b>	<b>Supply Chain and Inventory Control</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Preparation of Drug lists - High Risk drugs, Emergency drugs, Schedule H1 drugs, NDPS drugs, reserved antibiotics</li> <li>• Procedures of Drug Purchases – Drug selection, short term, long term, and tender/e-tender process, quotations, etc.</li> <li>• Inventory control techniques: Economic Order Quantity, Reorder Quantity Level, Inventory Turnover etc.</li> <li>• Inventory Management of Central Drug Store – Storage conditions, Methods of storage, Distribution, Maintaining Cold Chain, Devices used for cold storage (Refrigerator, ILR, Walk-in-Cold rooms)</li> <li>• FEFO, FIFO methods</li> <li>• Expiry drug removal and handling, and disposal. Disposal of Narcotics, cytotoxic drugs</li> <li>• Documentation - purchase and inventory</li> </ul>	<b>14</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>Drug distribution</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Drug distribution (in- patients and out - patients) – Definition, advantages and disadvantages of individual prescription order method, Floor Stock Method, Unit Dose Drug Distribution Method, Drug Basket Method.</li> <li>• Distribution of drugs to ICCU/ICU/NICU/Emergency wards.</li> <li>• Automated drug dispensing systems and devices</li> <li>• Distribution of Narcotic and Psychotropic substances and their storage</li> </ul>	<b>7</b>
<b>6</b>	Compounding in Hospitals. Bulk compounding, IV admixture services and incompatibilities, Total parenteral nutrition	<b>4</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>Radio Pharmaceuticals</b> - Storage, dispensing and disposal of radiopharmaceuticals	<b>2</b>
<b>8</b>	Application of computers in Hospital Pharmacy Practice, Electronic health records, Softwares used in hospital pharmacy	<b>2</b>
<b>9</b>	<b>Clinical Pharmacy:</b> Definition, scope, and development - in India and other countries  Technical definitions, common terminologies used in clinical settings and their significance such as Paediatrics, Geriatric, Anti-natal Care, Post-natal Care, etc.	<b>12</b>

	<p><b>Daily activities of clinical pharmacists:</b> Definition, goal, and procedure of</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ward round participation</li> <li>• Treatment Chart Review</li> <li>• Adverse drug reaction monitoring</li> <li>• Drug information and poisons information</li> <li>• Medication history</li> <li>• Patient counselling</li> <li>• Interprofessional collaboration</li> </ul> <p><b>Pharmaceutical care:</b> Definition, classification of drug related problems. Principles and procedure to provide pharmaceutical care</p> <p><b>Medication Therapy Management, Home Medication Review</b></p>	
10	<p><b>Clinical laboratory tests used in the evaluation of disease states - significance and interpretation of test results</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Haematological, Liver function, Renal function, thyroid function tests</li> <li>• Tests associated with cardiac disorders</li> <li>• Fluid and electrolyte balance</li> <li>• Pulmonary Function Tests</li> </ul>	10
11	<p><b>Poisoning:</b> Types of poisoning: Clinical manifestations and Antidotes</p> <p><b>Drugs and Poison Information Centre and their services -</b> Definition, Requirements, Information resources with examples, and their advantages and disadvantages</p>	6
12	<p><b>Pharmacovigilance</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Definition, aim and scope</li> <li>• Overview of Pharmacovigilance</li> </ul>	2
13	<p><b>Medication errors:</b> Definition, types, consequences, and strategies to minimize medication errors, LASA drugs and Tallman lettering as per ISMP</p> <p><b>Drug Interactions:</b> Definition, types, clinical significance of drug interactions</p>	6

## HOSPITAL AND CLINICAL PHARMACY – PRACTICAL

**Course Code: ER20-25P**

**25 Hours (1 Hour / Week)**

**Scope:** This course is designed to train the students to assist other healthcare providers in the basic services of hospital and clinical pharmacy.

**Course Objectives:** This course will train the students with hands-on experiences, simulated clinical case studies in the following:

1. Methods to systematically approach and respond to drug information queries
2. How to interpret common laboratory reports to understand the need for optimizing dosage regimens
3. How to report suspected adverse drug reactions to the concerned authorities
4. Uses and methods of handling various medical/surgical aids and devices
5. How to interpret drug-drug interactions in the treatment of common diseases.

**Course Outcomes:** Upon completion of the course, the students will be able to

1. Professionally handle and answer the drug information queries
2. Interpret the common laboratory reports
3. Report suspected adverse drug reactions using standard procedures
4. Understand the uses and methods of handling various medical/surgical aids and devices
5. Interpret and report the drug-drug interactions in common diseases for optimizing the drug therapy

**Note:** Few of the experiments of Hospital and Clinical Pharmacy practical course listed here require adequate numbers of desktop computers with internet connectivity, adequate drug information resources including reference books, different types of surgical dressings and other medical devices and accessories. Various charts, models, exhibits pertaining to the experiments shall also be displayed in the laboratory.

### Practicals

1. Systematic approach to drug information queries using primary / secondary / tertiary resources of information (2 cases)
2. Interpretation of laboratory reports to optimize the drug therapy in a given clinical case (2 cases)
3. Filling up IPC's ADR Reporting Form and perform causality assessments using various scales (2 cases)
4. Demonstration / simulated / hands-on experience on the identification, types, use / application /administration of
  - Orthopaedic and Surgical Aids such as knee cap, LS belts, abdominal belt, walker, walking sticks, etc.

- Different types of bandages such as sterile gauze, cotton, crepe bandages, etc.
  - Needles, syringes, catheters, IV set, urine bag, RYLE's tube, urine pots, colostomy bags, oxygen masks, etc.
5. Case studies on drug-drug interactions (any 2 cases)
  6. Wound dressing (simulated cases and role play -minimum 2 cases)
  7. Vaccination and injection techniques (IV, IM, SC) using mannequins (5 activities)
  8. Use of Hospital Pharmacy Software and various digital health tools

## **Assignments**

The students shall be asked to submit written assignments on the following topics (One assignment per student per sessional period. i.e., a minimum of THREE assignments per student)

1. Typical profile of a drug to be included in the hospital formulary
2. Brief layout and various services of the Central Sterile Supplies Department (CSSD)
3. Various types of sterilizers and sterilization techniques used in hospitals
4. Fumigation and pesticide control in hospitals
5. Role of Pharmacists in Transition of Care: Discharge cards, post hospitalization care, medicine reconciliation activities in developed countries
6. Total parenteral nutrition and IV admixtures and their compatibility issues
7. Concept of electronic health records
8. Invasive and Non-invasive diagnostic tests - HRCT, MRI, Sonography, 2D ECHO, X-rays, Mammography, ECG, EMG, EEG
9. Home Diagnostic Kits - Pregnancy Test, COVID testing etc
10. Measures to be taken in hospitals to minimize Antimicrobial Resistance
11. Role and responsibilities of a pharmacist in public hospital in rural parts of the country
12. Safe waste disposal of hospital waste

## **Field Visit**

The students shall be taken in groups to visit a Government / private healthcare facility to understand and witness the various hospital and clinical pharmacy services provided. Individual reports from each student on their learning experience from the field visit shall be submitted.

## PHARMACY LAW AND ETHICS – THEORY

Course Code: ER20-26T

75 Hours (3 Hours/week)

**Scope:** This course is designed to impart basic knowledge on several important legislations related to the profession of pharmacy in India

**Course Objectives:** This course will discuss the following

1. General perspectives, history, evolution of pharmacy law in India
2. Act and Rules regulating the profession and practice of pharmacy in India
3. Important code of ethical guidelines pertaining to various practice standards
4. Brief introduction to the patent laws and their applications in pharmacy

**Course Outcomes:** Upon successful completion of this course, the students will be able to

1. Describe the history and evolution of pharmacy law in India
2. Interpret the act and rules regulating the profession and practice of pharmacy in India
3. Discuss the various codes of ethics related to practice standards in pharmacy
4. Interpret the fundamentals of patent laws from the perspectives of pharmacy

Chapter	Topics	Hours
1	General Principles of Law, History and various Acts related to Drugs and Pharmacy profession	2
2	<b>Pharmacy Act-1948 and Rules:</b> Objectives, Definitions, Pharmacy Council of India; its constitution and functions, Education Regulations, State and Joint state pharmacy councils, Registration of Pharmacists, Offences and Penalties.  <b>Pharmacy Practice Regulations 2015</b>	5
3	<b>Drugs and Cosmetics Act 1940 and Rules 1945 and New Amendments</b> Objectives, Definitions, Legal definitions of schedules to the Act and Rules <b>Import of drugs</b> - Classes of drugs and cosmetics prohibited from import, Import under license or permit.	23

	<p><b>Manufacture of drugs</b> - Prohibition of manufacture and sale of certain drugs, Conditions for grant of license and conditions of license for manufacture of drugs, Manufacture of drugs for test, examination and analysis, manufacture of new drug, loan license and repacking license.</p> <p>Study of schedule C and C1, G, H, H1, K, P, M, N, and X.</p> <p><b>Sale of Drugs</b> - Wholesale, Retail sale and Restricted license, Records to be kept in a pharmacy Drugs Prohibited for manufacture and sale in India</p> <p><b>Administration of the Act and Rules</b> - Drugs Technical Advisory Board, Central Drugs Laboratory, Drugs Consultative Committee, Government analysts, licensing authorities, controlling authorities, Drug Inspectors.</p>	
4	<p><b>Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act 1985 and Rules</b> Objectives, Definitions, Authorities and Officers, Prohibition, Control and Regulation, Offences and Penalties.</p>	2
5	<p><b>Drugs and Magic Remedies (Objectionable Advertisements) Act 1954</b> Objectives, Definitions, Prohibition of certain advertisements, Classes of Exempted advertisements, Offences and Penalties.</p>	2
6	<p><b>Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act-1960:</b> Objectives, Definitions, CPCSEA - brief overview, Institutional Animal Ethics Committee, Breeding and Stocking of Animals, Performance of Experiments, Transfer and Acquisition of animals for experiment, Records, Power to suspend or revoke registration, Offences and Penalties.</p>	2
7	<p><b>Poisons Act-1919:</b> Introduction, objective, definition, possession, possession for sales and sale of any poison, import of poisons</p>	2
8	<p><b>FSSAI (Food Safety and Standards Authority of India) Act and Rules:</b> brief overview and aspects related to manufacture, storage, sale, and labelling of Food Supplements</p>	2

<b>9</b>	<b>National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority:</b> Drugs Price Control Order (DPCO) - 2013. Objectives, Definitions, Sale prices of bulk drugs, Retail price of formulations, Retail price and ceiling price of scheduled formulations, Pharmaceutical Policy 2002, National List of Essential Medicines (NLEM)	<b>5</b>
<b>10</b>	<b>Code of Pharmaceutical Ethics:</b> Definition, ethical principles, ethical problem solving, registration, code of ethics for Pharmacist in relation to his job, trade, medical profession and his profession, Pharmacist's oath.	<b>5</b>
<b>11</b>	Medical Termination of Pregnancy Act and Rules - basic understanding, salient features, and Amendments	<b>2</b>
<b>12</b>	Role of all the government pharma regulator bodies - Central Drugs Standards Control Organization (CDSCO), Indian Pharmacopoeia Commission (IPC)	<b>1</b>
<b>13</b>	Good Regulatory practices (documentation, licenses, renewals, e-governance) in Community Pharmacy, Hospital pharmacy, Pharma Manufacturing, Wholesale business, inspections, import, export of drugs and medical devices	<b>3</b>
<b>14</b>	Introduction to BCS system of classification, Basic concepts of Clinical Trials, ANDA, NDA, New Drug development, New Drugs and Clinical Trials Rules, 2019. Brand v/s Generic, Trade name concept, Introduction to Patent Law and Intellectual Property Rights, Emergency Use Authorization	<b>7</b>
<b>15</b>	Blood bank - basic requirements and functions	<b>2</b>
<b>16</b>	Clinical Establishment Act and Rules - Aspects related to Pharmacy	<b>2</b>
<b>17</b>	Biomedical Waste Management Rules 2016 - Basic aspects, and aspects related to pharma manufacture to disposal of pharma / medical waste at homes, pharmacies, and hospitals	<b>2</b>
<b>18</b>	Bioethics - Basic concepts, history and principles. Brief overview of ICMR's National Ethical Guidelines for Biomedical and Health Research involving human participants	<b>2</b>
<b>19</b>	Introduction to the Consumer Protection Act	<b>1</b>
<b>20</b>	Introduction to the Disaster Management Act	<b>1</b>
<b>21</b>	Medical Devices - Categorization, basic aspects related to manufacture and sale	<b>2</b>

## Assignments

The students shall be asked to submit written assignments on the following topics (One assignment per student per sessional period. i.e., a minimum of THREE assignments per student)

1. Requirements for Ayurvedic, Homeopathic manufacturing, sale, and licensing requirements
2. Layout and contents of official websites of various agencies regulating the profession of pharmacy in India: e.g., CDSCO, SUGAM portal, PCI, etc.
3. Licenses required, application processes (online/offline), drug regulatory office website of the respective state
4. Case studies - actions taken on violation of any act / rule related to pharmacy
5. Schedule H1 drugs and its implementation in India
6. Counterfeit / Spurious medicines
7. Drug Testing Labs in India
8. Overview of Pharma marketing practices
9. Generic Medicines

## Appendices

<b>No</b>	<b>Appendix Document</b>
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## Appendix – 1

### A typical format for the assessment of an Assignment

Name of the College:

Name of the Student:	
Academic Year of the Student:	
Name of the Subject:	
Title of the Assignment:	
Date on which the Assignment was given:	
Date on which the Assignment was submitted:	
Name & Designation of the Evaluator:	
Signature of the Evaluator with Date:	

**Directions:** For evaluation, enter rating of the student utilizing the following scale:

5 - Excellent; 4 - Very Good; 3 - Good; 2 - Satisfactory; 1 - Poor

Assessment Criteria	Score	Comments if any
a. Relevance with the content		
b. Use of resource material		
c. Organization & mechanical accuracy		
d. Cohesion & coherence		
e. Language proficiency & Timely submission		
<b>Total Score</b>		

**Signature of the Student with Date:**

**Note:** Subject teacher should try to cover all assignments mentioned in the list for each practical subject by assigning the topics to the students. Students should be encouraged to submit an assignment (in a format decided by the Institute) and encouraged to present assignments (at least any one assignment per subject) in the class.

## Appendix – 2

### A typical format for the assessment of a Field Visit Report

Name of the College:

<b>Name of the Student:</b>	
<b>Academic Year of the Student:</b>	
<b>Name of the Subject:</b>	
<b>Name &amp; full address of the organization visited:</b>	
<b>Date and Duration of Visit:</b>	
<b>Name &amp; Designation of the Evaluator:</b>	
<b>Signature of the Evaluator with Date:</b>	

**Objectives set for the field visit: (give 2 – 4 objectives one by one)**

**Prior preparation of the student for the field visit: (minimum 100 words)**

**Describe the general experiences during the field visit: (minimum 100 words)**

**Learning points: Describe what theoretical concept that is correlated during the field visit: (minimum 300 words)**

