

Optio	ons EHS Pharmacy Technician B	Scope and Sequence
Unit	Lesson	Objectives
Pres	criptions	
	Receiving a Prescription	
		Describe the process for receiving prescriptions.
		Recall pharmacy policies involving the receipt of prescriptions.
		Identify appropriate practice standards for receiving prescriptions.
	Requesting a Refill	
		Name the steps for completing refill requests.
		Describe how pharmacies receive refill requests.
		Explain ways technicians can prevent prescription errors.
	Processing a Prescription	
		Explain how prescriptions get processed.
		Identify the equipment necessary for processing prescriptions.
		Describe how quality improvement plays a role in processing prescriptions.
		Interpret prescription information and translate it into language that patients can understand.
	Filling a Prescription	
		Identify the steps for filling prescriptions.
		Identify appropriate practice standards for filling prescriptions.
		Analyze the types of errors that can occur during the prescription-filling process.
	Interacting with Insurance Companies	
		Explain when it is appropriate or necessary to contact insurance companies.
		Describe the role of third-party payers in paying for prescription drugs.

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	Describe the process for contacting insurance companies.
Prior Authorizations	
	Define prior authorization.
	Explain the importance of prior authorizations.
	Describe the process for obtaining prior authorizations.
	Analyze the impact prior authorizations have on reimbursement.
Schedules and DEA Numbers	
	Define drug schedule.
	Explain the importance of drug schedules.
	Define DEA numbers.
	Explain the procedure for verifying DEA numbers.
Completing a Transfer	
	Describe how a drug transfer is completed.
	Identify state-specific transfer regulations.
Labeling Prescriptions	
	Identify the steps for labeling prescriptions.
	Recall requirements for packaging medications.
	Explain how labels can be used to check product expiration dates.
Formularies	
	Define formulary.
	Explain why formularies are necessary.
	Describe how formularies are used.

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Unit Summary	
Unit Test	
Calculations, Routes, and Formulations	
Computer Skills for the Pharmacy Technician	
	Identify the basic computer skills necessary for pharmacy technician careers.
	Explain how to use computers to store important information.
	Identify computer applications used in pharmacies.
Math Skills for the Pharmacy Technician	
	Identify basic math skills necessary for pharmacy technician careers.
	Perform mathematic calculations based on numerals, fractions, and decimals.
	Perform arithmetic operations.
	Identify when to use numerals, fractions, and decimals in pharmacy settings.
Proportions and Quantity	
	Perform quantity calculations using proportions and cross multiplication.
	Interpret quantitative data related to pharmaceuticals.
	Use quantity calculations to solve pharmacy-related problems.
Measurements and Conversions	
	Identify common measurements used in a pharmacy.
	Perform calculations related to conversions and measurements.
Review of Measurement, Conversion, Proportion, and Quantity Calculations	
	Perform proportion and quantity calculations.
	Perform measurements and conversions.

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Percentages and Dilutions	
	Perform calculations related to percents and dilutions using cross multiplication.
	Interpret charts, tables, and graphs related to prescriptions and pharmaceuticals.
Calculating Dosages	
	Compare and contrast child and adult medication dosages.
	Calculate adult dosages.
	Calculate child dosages.
	Perform dosage calculations based on real-life scenarios.
Review of Dosage and Dilution	
	Perform calculations related to dosage and dilution.
Unit Test	
Parenterals and Admixtures	
Calculating Parenterals	
	Define parenterals.
	Calculate parenterals.
	Explain how to prepare total parenteral nutrition (TPN) solutions.
Admixtures	
	Define an IV admixture.
	Identify the steps for preparing IV admixtures.
	Discuss fluid and electrolyte therapy.
Sterile Dosage and Laminar Flow Hoods	
	Identify procedures for limiting contamination of parenteral products.

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	Analyze aspectic techniques for withdrawing medication and maintaining laminar flow hoods.
	Explain how laminar flow hoods work.
	Differentiate between two types of hoods.
Solution Types	
	Identify different solution types.
	Distinguish between SVPs and LVPs.
	Recall the characteristics of IV solutions.
Unit Test	
Compounding	
Calculating Compounds	
	Define compounding.
	Explain how to calculate and prepare compounds.
	Demonstrate compound calculations using real-life scenarios.
Compounding Equipment	
	Identify compound equipment.
	Recall compound recipes.
	Describe the procedure for Class A prescription balance.
	Identify when to use a bulk and analytical balance.
Regulations	
	Identify regulations related to compounding.
	Explain why it is necessary for pharmacy technicians to comply with regulatory standards.

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		Define USP 797.
	Forms of Compounding	
		Identify different forms of compounding.
		Recall the principles of compounding.
		Analyze examples of compounding.
	Unit Test	
Inver	tory Management	
	Unit Introduction	
	Ordering of Pharmacy Stock	
		Describe how to maintain stock inventory.
		Explain the importance of inventory control.
		Identify the process for ordering pharmacy stock.
	Receiving Pharmacy Inventory	
		Identify packaging requirements.
		Summarize the inventory-receiving process.
		Discuss various types of inventory equipment.
	Returning Products	
		Describe the process for returning products.
		Explain the condition of products that need to be returned.
		Explain the relationship between returning products and quality control in the pharmacy.
	Controlled Drugs	
		Define a controlled drug.

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	Distinguish among the five schedules of controlled substances.
	Explain how to maintain a controlled substance inventory.
Generic Substitutes	
	Identify what a generic drug is.
	Explain the significance of generic substitutes.
	Describe when generic substitutes are typically used.
Drug Storage and Stability	
	Describe proper storage conditions for several common drugs.
	Recall how to identify expiration dates.
	Identify the connection between the storage of drugs and their effectiveness.
Unit Summary	
Unit Test	
Pharmacy Management	
Unit Introduction	
Pharmacy Management	
	Identify common management styles.
	Analyze the duties of a pharmacy manager.
	Describe how pharmacies are managed effectively.
Pharmacy Record Keeping	
	Explain the importance of pharmacy record keeping.
	Describe the procedures for maintaining pharmacy records.
	Identify parties that have access to pharmacy records.

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Dealing with Hazardous Materials	
	Identify hazardous materials in pharmacy settings.
	Explain how to handle hazardous materials.
	Recall OSHA guidelines for working proximal to hazardous materials.
Patient Education	
	Explain the importance of patient education.
	Describe patient safety and education goals.
	Identify ways that patients can access pharmaceutical information.
Cumulative Exam	
Cumulative Exam Review	
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