

Qualification Unit

This unit forms part of a regulated qualification.

Unit Title: Principles of Health and Safety for Pharmacy Technicians

Unit Reference Number: T/617/8940

Level: Three (3)

Credit Value: Two (2)

Minimum Guided Learning Hours: 10

Learning Outcome (The Learner will):	Assessment Criterion (The Learner can):
1. Understand the responsibilities relating to health and safety in the workplace	1.1 Outline the legislation relating to health and safety in pharmacy services
	1.2 Evaluate the standards and procedures relating to health and safety in pharmacy services
	1.3 Analyse the main health and safety responsibilities for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Pharmacy technician b) Employer c) Others in the workplace
	1.4 Reflect on own compliance with health and safety procedures
2. Understand health and safety risk management	2.1 Summarise the principles of risk management
	2.2 Summarise the components of a risk management system
	2.3 Explain the use of health and safety risk assessments in relation to workplace practices
3. Understand procedures for responding to accidents and emergencies	3.1 Describe the procedures for dealing with accidents and emergencies in own workplace
	3.2 Analyse the responsibilities of a pharmacy technician in responding to accidents and emergencies

Indicative Content

LO1	<p>Legislation: Health and Safety at Work Act 1974; Manual handling; Disposal of pharmaceutical waste; Control of Substances Hazardous to Health (COSHH) Workplace injury; Workplace ill health; Reporting of Injuries, Diseases and Dangerous Occurrences Regulations 2013 (RIDDOR); Safe working environment Safeguarding; Deprivation of Liberty Provision for first aid at work</p> <p>Standards and procedures Standards GPhC Professional Standards; Procedures should reference the Standard Operating Procedures relevant to own role. Procedures should also cover how to access information and support relating to health and safety; incident reporting; disposal of pharmaceutical waste</p> <p>Others could include: individuals; customers; colleagues; visitors</p> <p>Reflection on own compliance should include: following standard operating procedures; responding to incidents, accidents or emergencies where they have occurred; supporting risk management processes.</p>
LO2	<p>Principles of risk management: Health and Safety Executive principles of risk management http://www.hse.gov.uk/risk/principles.htm</p> <p>Components of a risk management system: risk assessment; risk avoidance; risk transfer, mitigation or prevention; risk retention</p> <p>Workplace practices may include: Quality; stock management; dispensing; disposal of pharmaceutical waste; handling hazardous substances; public areas; working with individuals; work tasks; work stations</p>
LO3	<p>Accidents and emergencies should cover spillages of pharmaceutical products/waste, medical conditions/emergencies, sudden illness; slips, trips, falls; minor injury etc</p>