

NEW!! Online Learning Program: Medication Safety Considerations for Compliance Packaging

Have you experienced an error or a near miss when preparing a compliance package?

Have you wondered if there is a safer way to do compliance packaging?

The complexity of filling compliance packages is often underestimated and errors have occurred, some causing serious patient harm.

This 5 module program is designed to help pharmacists, pharmacy technicians, and pharmacy assistants safely prepare compliance packages. It introduces medication safety principles and concepts specifically applicable to compliance packaging; examines the potential for medication errors associated with compliance packaging; and, provides system-based strategies for prevention.

After completing this course you will be able to:

1. Differentiate between patients who would and would not benefit from compliance packaging;
2. Describe the steps involved in initiating compliance packaging for a patient;
3. Compare and contrast the different types of packaging available;
4. Understand the types of errors that can occur with the different steps in compliance packaging preparation;
5. Identify critical intervention points to prevent errors;
6. Understand the roles of pharmacists, pharmacy technicians and pharmacy assistants in dispensing compliance packages; and
7. Examine your current workplace, and implement process changes to minimize the likelihood of medication errors when dispensing compliance packs

Who should take this course?

Pharmacists, pharmacy technicians, and pharmacy assistants who want to learn more about how to safely prepare compliance packages.

What modules are included?

1. Introduction to Medication Safety
2. Patient Selection and Initiation of Compliance Packaging
3. Overview of Regulatory Requirements for Compliance Packaging
4. Preparing Compliance Packages Safely
5. Environmental Factors

Each module is 10-20 minutes in length – modules can be completed one at a time or all at once. To obtain a statement of completion and continuing education units, completion of the course test and evaluation is required. The program includes links to guidance from pharmacy regulatory authorities across Canada, where available.

Program cost: \$225 + applicable taxes

See: <https://secure.ismp-canada.org/elearning/course/index.php?categoryid=7>



The Canadian Council on Continuing Education in Pharmacy (CCCEP) has accredited this program for 3 CEUs for both pharmacists and pharmacy technicians; CCCEP # 1231-2017-2195-I-P and 1231-2017-2196-I-T.