

Introduction to Safe Handling of Medication

Course Description:

Medicating is one aspect of care provision that can go seriously wrong, hence the need to get it right. This is a half-day workshop designed to explain the basics of medicines management in the care sector

Course Outline:

- : Taking responsibility
- : Uses of medication
- : Taking medication
- : Types of drugs
- : Non-prescription medication
- : Medication register
- : Contraindications
- : Tolerance
- : Dependence
- : Consent
- : Authorised persons
- : Medication record entries
- : Reading prescriptions
- : Medication changes
- : Labels, correct v. faults
- : Medication receipt
- : Medication storage
- : Correct administration practices
- : Advance preparation
- : Infection control
- : Medication trolleys
- : Interruptions and distractions, managing them
- : Medication administration records
- : Observation
- : Finishing medication correctly
- : Do and don't instructions
- : Crushing
- : Covert medication
- : Dosage errors
- : Disposal of medicines
- : Specialised techniques
- : Controlled drugs
- : Self medication
- : Compliance aids
- : Monitored dosage systems (MDS)
- : Home care issues



: Preventing and managing medication errors

Course Duration:

1/2 Day

Assessment:

There is no final assessment. The tutor ensures a thorough understanding has been achieved by questions, answers, discussion and practical scenarios

Certification:

Delegates receive a certificate of attendance

