

Title: Training in Pharmacies for B. Pharm Students

Objectives of the Practice

The primary goal is to provide B. Pharm students with hands-on experience in community and hospital pharmacy settings. This practice aims to bridge the gap between theoretical knowledge and real-world application by enhancing skills in dispensing, patient counseling, and medication management. It also fosters professionalism, communication, and a deeper understanding of pharmacy operations.

The Context

With the evolving role of pharmacists as key healthcare providers, practical exposure is critical to prepare students for real-world challenges. While academic coursework builds foundational knowledge, training in pharmacies allows students to understand patient-centered care, regulatory compliance, and medication safety in a practical context.

The Practice

Students in their advanced semesters participate in structured training programs at community and hospital pharmacies. Under the guidance of licensed pharmacists, they learn to dispense medications, counsel patients, manage drug inventories, and adhere to pharmacy regulations. Pre-training workshops introduce students to professional ethics, protocols, and training objectives. Regular feedback sessions ensure that learning goals are met.

Evidence of Success

Students demonstrate improved knowledge of pharmacy operations, stronger communication skills, and greater confidence in handling real-world scenarios. Supervising pharmacists often commend their preparedness and professionalism, with many students securing internships or job opportunities post-training.

Problems Encountered and Resources Required

Challenges include limited training slots and inconsistent training experiences. Strengthened pharmacy partnerships, standardized training protocols, and funding support for travel are essential to address these issues.

This initiative prepares students to excel as competent pharmacy professionals.