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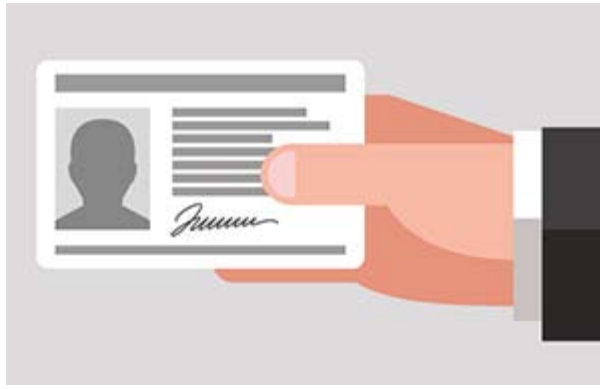
Non-Sterile Compounding

The National Association of Pharmacy Regulatory Authorities (NAPRA) approved two documents at their December 2017 meeting:

[Model Standards of Practice for Pharmacy Compounding of Non-Sterile Preparations](#)

[Guidance Document for Pharmacy Compounding of Non-Sterile Preparations](#)

The College appointed a committee to review both documents and bring a recommendation to Council. The Committee will bring forth their recommendation for adoption/adaptation of the two documents at the upcoming November 2018 meeting of Council. The decision of Council will be published in the December 7th, 2018 Island Capsule.



Identification of Patients–The first step

As a pharmacist practicing in the community, it is your duty and responsibility to make sure the right person gets the right dose of the right drug at the right time. The very first step in providing pharmacy care is to positively identify the patient - be sure you have the right person. Without correctly identifying the patient, the rest of the steps in patient care and patient safety can be compromised.

Pharmacists and pharmacy technicians should take time to ensure that the correct patient profile is being used each time a prescription is filled. Ask open-ended questions, where the patient is required to give you the information. Avoid close-ended questions where the patient can simply answer with a yes or no. Also, by asking close-ended questions, you may be inadvertently divulging personally identifiable information.

Ensure that the patient's profile is updated with any changes in personal information and verify that the provincial health card on file is accurate. This will ensure that erroneous information is not populated in the Drug Information System, preventing potential patient harm.

Changes to National Drug Schedules

The following revision has been made to the National Drug Schedules effective November 12, 2018:

- esomeprazole or its salts, when sold for the 14-day treatment for frequent heartburn at a daily dose of 20 mg, in package sizes of no more than 280 mg of esomeprazole, has been granted Schedule III status
- esomeprazole or its salts, EXCEPT when sold for the 14-day treatment for frequent heartburn at a daily

dose of 20 mg in package sizes of no more than 280 mg of esomeprazole, has been retained in Schedule I

ISMP Canada Safety Bulletin

ISMP Canada has published a recent Safety Bulletin: Injecting Standardization in Vaccine Clinics. The bulletin looks at safety issues surrounding vaccine clinics and makes recommendations on standardizing all aspects of the clinic, including setup and layout, vaccine procurement and storage, patient flow, and design of forms.

[ISMP Bulletin Issue 7](#)

Important Dates

PEI Jurisprudence Exam

The final sitting of the PEI College of Pharmacists Jurisprudence Exam will be held:

December 10, 2018 9:30-11:30 am-application deadline is December 5, 2018

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