Assistant working in a Retail setting: What activities can they perform?

Amendments to the Pharmacy Act, made in August of 2015, allow persons (pharmacy assistants, cashiers) other than members (pharmacists, pharmacy technicians) to perform certain activities related to dispensing medications while under the supervision of a pharmacist or pharmacy technician. These activities include:

- Collecting information from a patient for a patient profile
- Recording and retrieving data about a patient or a prescription
- Entering prescription information into a database
- Non-sterile compounding, if a member has approved the formulation and process
- Selecting an appropriate container for a drug
- Preparing and packaging a drug for dispensing
- Attaching the prescription label and any other labels to a container
- Replenishing drug storage containers and dispensing machines
- Managing drug inventory
- Implementing quality assurance and risk management policies

All other activities related to the dispensing of medications, as defined in the Pharmacy Act, are restricted as set out in the Regulated Health Professions Act and therefore must be performed by a registered member of the College.
**PEI College of Pharmacists AGM**

The College is pleased to announce the partnership with the PEI Pharmacists Association to hold joint AGMs this year. This marks the first year the AGM of the PEI College of Pharmacists will be open to the public. All members and non-members of the College are welcome to attend. The College AGM will be held Saturday May 7, 2016 at 8:00 am at the Holland College Conference Centre. Those interested in attending the College AGM or the PEI Pharmacists Association AGM are asked to register by submitting the Registration Form to peipharm@gmail.com by April 29, 2016. While there is no cost to attend the College AGM, there is a registration fee should you wish to attend the PEI Pharmacists Association AGM and CE events.

**Dalhousie CPE- CE Opportunities**

Dalhousie Continuing Pharmacy Education Division has new continuing education opportunities available. These are as follows:

- Prescribing for Minor Ailments – Mini Modules: GERD, THEADWORMS, AND PINWORMS


- HIV Care, Antiretroviral Regimens, and Antiretroviral Drug Interactions - Live Webinar - April 27, 2016 FREE

Please visit the DAL CPE website for more information on registration.

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