

UW HEALTH JOB DESCRIPTION

Clinical Pharmacist		
Job Code: 700001A 700001B 700001C 700001D 700001E	FLSA Status: Exempt	Mgt. Approval: 5.2024
Department: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inpatient Clinical Team (UH, Rehab Hospital, TAC) • Inpatient Consult Team • Emergency Department • Cardiology • Critical Care • Decentral Overnights • Pediatric Pharmacy • ED Pediatric Overnights • Ambulatory Care Services • Community Services • Specialty Care Services • Anticoagulation • Infusion Center / DHC • Pharmacy Business Services & Informatics • Supply Chain • Pharmacy Services (PSB) • Oncology Services • Nuclear Pharmacy • Clinic Operations, Medication Safety & Compliance 		HR Approval: D Ripp 5.2024

JOB SUMMARY

The Clinical Pharmacist is responsible for providing medication therapy management services in collaboration with other providers to assure that drug therapy is safe, effective, efficient and cost-effective. Pharmacy services provided include interdisciplinary patient care rounds, medication reconciliation, medication therapy monitoring, medication orders management, patient education, drug information, drug dosing, and various scholarly activities. The Pharmacist performs both clinical and distributive tasks necessary to ensure that patients' medication therapy is safe, effective, timely and efficient. The Pharmacist will provide training and education to Pharmacy Residents and PharmD students through practical and didactic experiences. Incumbent acts independently within the scope of their license and areas of expertise with the help of general policies, procedures and practice guidelines with support from the Pharmacy Manager. The pharmacist ensures that patient care is maintained through compliance with the department's policies, rules and regulations promulgated by the Board of Pharmacy, and other applicable regulatory bodies.

MAJOR RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Patient care services
 - a. Interdisciplinary patient care rounds
 - i. Participates in rounds when scheduled in their care area
 - ii. Oversees Pharmacy Resident and PharmD student participation on rounds
 - iii. Works collaboratively with the interdisciplinary team to maximize individual patient outcomes
 - b. Performs and documents medication reconciliation, comparing prescriber's orders to the patient's active medication list(s) and working with prescribers to make changes to orders as necessary
 - i. Interviews patients upon admission and reconciles medication history against inpatient medication admission orders
 - ii. Upon transfer, reconciles the inpatient medication profile with medication transfer orders
 - iii. Reconciles discharge medication orders with inpatient pharmacy profile and admission medication history and performs discharge counseling
 - iv. Provides updated medication list to the patient upon discharge
 - v. Documents these activities in the medical record
 - c. Medication therapy monitoring
 - i. Ensures that drug regimen is consistent with all UWHC medication use guidelines and policies (or other evidence-based guidelines in the absence of UWHC-specific guidelines) which includes but is not limited to: antimicrobial use guidelines, intravenous to oral renal dosing, and serum drug concentration protocols
 - ii. Adjusts regimens based on approved protocols and consultation with the interdisciplinary team
 - iii. Completion of a daily profile review for each patient consisting of the following elements:
 - iv. Age, sex, height, weight, and renal/hepatic function
 - v. Pregnancy and lactation status
 - vi. Appropriateness of the dose, route, rate, timing and frequency of administration, indication, and therapeutic

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- duplication of all medications
 - vii. Available laboratory values and microbiology results
 - viii. Appropriateness of antimicrobial therapy regimens which may include anticipated/planned stopped dates
 - ix. Potential drug-drug, disease-drug, food-drug interactions or contraindications
 - x. Adherence with UWHC Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee approved medication use guidelines/protocols
 - xi. Targeted or therapeutic drug monitoring and pharmacokinetics, and adjustment of drug regimens if necessary
 - xii. Review documented adverse drug reactions/allergies and report new occurrences via Patient Safety Net (PSN)
 - xiii. Review for disease progression and resolution of symptoms (e.g. pain)
 - xiv. Communication of necessary information to pertinent health care providers, patients, caregivers, and encourage health promotion and prevention
 - xv. Assesses the patient's progression to achieving desired medication treatment goals
 - d. Review of medication orders
 - i. Reviews all medication orders for appropriate dose, duration, frequency, dosage form and indication
 - ii. Monitors therapy for potential or actual drug interactions (e.g. drug-drug, drug-disease, drug-allergy, etc.)
 - iii. Compliance with inpatient drug formulary
 - iv. Patient education
 - v. Assesses patient understanding of medication regimen and provides education tailored to the patient through the following modalities:
 - vi. First dose teaching
 - vii. Food-drug interaction counseling
 - viii. Discharge counseling
 - ix. Medication classes
 - x. Compliance aids
- 2. Providing drug information to health care providers
 - a. Answers general and patient specific drug information questions
 - b. Provides in-services and lectures to health care team members
- 3. Scholarly activity
 - a. Promotes the research mission of the organization
 - b. Contributes to the profession by participating in scholarly activities (e.g. professional publications, podium presentations, poster presentations, practice-based research)
 - c. Mentors Pharmacy Residents and PharmD students in their pursuit of scholarly activity
 - d. Provides didactic training at UW School of Pharmacy as a lecturer and/or faculty in the Pharmacotherapy Lab
- 4. Coordination of distribution systems
 - a. Serve as the liaison for inpatient information for central and ambulatory pharmacies
 - b. Coordinate drug delivery and documentation
 - c. Coordinate the preparation and distribution of all medications
 - d. Understand investigational drug protocols and procedures for investigational drug research studies, implementation, administration and record keeping
 - e. Understand safety precautions, including hazardous materials handling and proper precautions against blood-borne pathogens, as it relates to areas of practice
 - f. Monitor medication use system is providing the right patient, right drug, right dose, right route, and right time
- 5. Quality improvement
 - a. Personal continuing education and professional development
 - b. Identify and report adverse drug events (adverse drug reactions and medication errors) in the Patient Safety Net
 - c. Assure compliance with hospital, integrated health system and department policies and procedures
 - d. Monitor compliance with state and federal laws and regulations related to the practice of pharmacy as well as standards and regulations for other regulatory agencies
 - e. Participate in department and hospital committees
- 6. Training, education, and community service
 - a. Provide direct supervision of pharmacy assistant, technician, intern and student daily activities
 - b. Assist with the education, training, and development of these individuals
 - c. Precept and evaluate Pharmacy Residents and PharmD students on residency/clerkship rotations
 - d. Provide community service presentations, drug information and disease prevention programs to consumer and patient groups

ALL DUTIES AND REQUIREMENTS MUST BE PERFORMED CONSISTENT WITH THE UW HEALTH PERFORMANCE STANDARDS.

JOB REQUIREMENTS

Education	Minimum	Bachelor's degree in Pharmacy or a PharmD degree
	Preferred	Completion of an ASHP Accredited Residency training program
Work Experience	Minimum	One year of clinical patient care and orders management experience

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	Preferred	Three years of institutional experience (hospital or integrated health system) or completion of an ASHP accredited residency training program
Licenses & Certifications	Minimum	Licensed to practice pharmacy in the State of Wisconsin or must obtain within 90 days of hire date. Please see license and certification table below for BLS, ACLS and PALS. These are required or must be obtained within 90 days for BLS and 180 days for ACLS/PALS
	Preferred	Certification through the appropriate certifying program (Board of Pharmacy Specialties, National Board of Nutrition Support Certification, National Certification Board for Anticoagulation Providers, Specialty Pharmacy Certification Board, etc.).
Required Skills, Knowledge, and Abilities		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pharmaceutical knowledge and skills • Ability to accept accountability for patient outcomes • Ability to prioritize patient needs above all else • Ability to practice pharmacy with integrity towards coworkers and patients • Ability to accept and respond constructively to feedback and criticism • Ability to learn computer and application skills as applicable to role • Ability to interact with and work around people • Ability to make judgments in demanding situations. • Ability to react to frequent changes in duties and volume of work • Effective communication skills, both verbal and written • Ability to listen empathetically • Ability to logically organize details • Comfortable accepting responsibility for medium to large scale projects involving multiple resources and spanning many months from start to finish • Ability to manage multiple concurrent activities

AGE SPECIFIC COMPETENCY (Clinical jobs only)

Identify age-specific competencies for direct and indirect patient care providers who regularly assess, manage and treat patients.

Instructions: Indicate the age groups of patients served either by direct or indirect patient care by checking the appropriate boxes below.

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Infants (Birth – 11 months)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Adolescent (13 – 19 years)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Toddlers (1 – 3 years)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Young Adult (20 – 40 years)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Preschool (4 – 5 years)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Middle Adult (41 – 65 years)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	School Age (6 – 12 years)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Older Adult (Over 65 years)

PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS

Indicate the appropriate physical requirements of this job in the course of a shift. *Note: reasonable accommodations may be made available for individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions of this position.*

Physical Demand Level		Occasional Up to 33% of the time	Frequent 34%-66% of the time	Constant 67%-100% of the time
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sedentary: Ability to lift up to 10 pounds maximum and occasionally lifting and/or carrying such articles as docket, ledgers and small tools. Although a sedentary job is defined as one, which involves sitting, a certain amount of walking and standing is often necessary in carrying out job duties. Jobs are sedentary if walking and standing are required only occasionally and other sedentary criteria are met.	Up to 10#	Negligible	Negligible
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Light: Ability to lift up to 20 pounds maximum with frequent lifting and/or carrying of objects weighing up to 10 pounds. Even though the weight lifted may only be a negligible amount, a job is in this category when it requires walking or standing to a significant degree.	Up to 20#	Up to 10# or requires significant walking or standing, or requires pushing/pulling of arm/leg controls	Negligible or constant push/pull of items of negligible weight
<input type="checkbox"/>	Medium: Ability to lift up to 50 pounds maximum with frequent lifting and/or carrying objects weighing up to 25 pounds.	20-50#	10-25#	Negligible-10#
<input type="checkbox"/>	Heavy: Ability to lift up to 100 pounds maximum with frequent lifting and/or carrying objects weighing up to 50 pounds.	50-100#	25-50#	10-20#
<input type="checkbox"/>	Very Heavy: Ability to lift over 100 pounds with frequent lifting and/or carrying objects weighing over 50 pounds.	Over 100#	Over 50#	Over 20#
List any other physical requirements or bona fide occupational qualifications:				

Note: The purpose of this document is to describe the general nature and level of work performed by personnel so classified; it is not intended to serve as an inclusive list of all responsibilities associated with this position.

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LICENSES AND CERTIFICATIONS		
Job Title	Job Code	License/Certifications
Clinical Pharmacist	700001A	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No lifesaving certifications
	700001B	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• BLS
	700001C	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• BLS + ACLS
	700001D	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• BLS + PALS
	700001E	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• BLS + ACLS + PALS