

The Expectation for Medical and Pharmaceutical Educations in the Hospital Pharmacy

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Six-year pharmacy education system has started. Clinical practice program, common achievement test for evaluation of pharmacy student prior clerkship (CBT and OSCE) and evaluation system have been in great progress in their preparation. Training in the clinical practice is necessary in this renewal pharmaceutical education system. In addition, early exposure to the clinical fields is recognized to be very important for pharmaceutical students to obtain their sense of ethics and mission as pharmacists, and to realize the pharmaceutical sciences suitably. Communication in a clinical team is also required for effective clinical care activity. Thus, interprofessional education (IPE) will be helpful for clinical care activity, especially if it is provided in their early stage of pharmaceutical education.

It is important for us to develop an education system which brings up professional pharmacists with high quality. In addition, advanced medical technologies and high quality research are also required to make advance in the quality of medical services provided by highly trained medical staffs including pharmacists. We realize the importance of hospital pharmacy not only in the education but also in the development of scientific-based medicine in clinical practices.