

S03-4 Approach to primary care in geriatric pharmacist

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Pharmaceutical Care is a patient-centered, outcomes oriented pharmacy practice that requires the pharmacist to work in concert with the patient and the patient's other health care providers to promote health, to prevent disease, and to assess, monitor, initiate, and modify medication use. The goal of pharmaceutical care is to optimize the patient's health-related quality of life, and achieve positive clinical outcomes, within realistic economic expenditures. Recently pharmacists need a method to learn and expand their knowledge in geriatric pharmacotherapy and pharmaceutical care. We need current information on pharmaceutical care for the special populations, including collection and evaluation of patient specific information related to key diseases in the older adult, geriatric pharmacotherapy, and geriatric practice guidelines. Pharmaceutical care involves the geriatric pharmacist assuming PHARMASIST'S PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY for geriatric pharmacotherapy outcomes in addition to the safe, accurate, and efficient distribution of pharmaceutical products. The objective of this symposium is that understand the necessity of a basic knowledge in the provision of pharmaceutical care from health to illness. In this symposium, I will discuss "Approach to Primary Care in Geriatric Pharmacist".