

S43-3 The Actual Situation and Future of OSCE

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Objective structured clinical examination (OSCE) in Pharmaceutical Common Achievement Test will be carried out in each university from December to January in the 2009 academic year in Japan. The Pharmaceutical Society of Japan and Pharmaceutical Common Achievement Test Center opened 8 standard subjects in 2007 and 22 in 2008 to the public. We inspected the propriety of these subjects and problems in use of the OSCE practice based on reports of the OSCE trial in all universities and argument in member of OSCE committee. Finally, we revised and standardized opened subjects and added other subjects. To promote the SP (standardized patient) training at each university, a forum and an SP training workshop were carried out in 2008. For the enforcement of the OSCE, a correct, quick communication system between Center and each university is necessary about the appointment of the subjects, the assignment of the monitor or the results management after the OSCE. For the inspection of the communication, simulation of the practical process of arrangement, enforcement, results count and a final report of the OSCE were carried out from December in 2008. At this symposium, we report these results and suggest the future action for smooth enforcement of the OSCE.