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Proposed Changes to the Administration of Drugs including Vaccines Standard of Practice

No.	Section	Current Wording	Proposed Wording (in bold)
1	2.1 in draft	New	<p>2.1 For the purposes of this practice direction</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the term drugs includes vaccines. • advanced method refers to any of the following methods for administering a drug: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ through intradermal, subcutaneous or Intramuscular injection; ○ intravenously through an established central or peripheral venous access device; or ○ rectally
2	2.1 in current	2.1.1 Collaborate with the patient and receive permission;	removed
3	2.1 in current 2.4 in draft	2.1.3 Take appropriate steps to ensure the patient is given the right drug including a vaccine, for the right reason, in the right dose, at the right time and using the right route;	<p>Moved to section 2.4 Before Administration</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Immediately prior to administration, perform a final check to ensure the patient is given the right drug for the right reason, in the right dose, at the right time and using the right route.
4	2.1 in current 2.2 in draft	2.1.4 Possess current certification in emergency first aid and “CPR Level C”;	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Possess current certification in first aid, and CPR as recognized by council
5	2.1 in current 2.2 in draft	2.1.6 Ensure the pharmacy maintains a readily accessible supply of epinephrine syringes (“pens”) for emergency use, diphenhydramine, cold compresses and non-latex gloves;	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure the pharmacy maintains an anaphylaxis management kit which is readily available whenever vaccines are administered and must include epinephrine in pre-filled syringes intended for emergency administration to treat anaphylaxis, a copy



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			of the pharmacy's emergency anaphylaxis management protocol, and other items deemed essential by the pharmacist
6	2.1 in current 2.2 in draft	2.1.7 Be certified under section 114(1) when administering a drug, including a vaccine, under section 109(1) and has received informed verbal or written consent from the patient	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be certified under section 114(1) when administering a drug, under section 109(1) and has documented informed consent from the patient
7	2.3 in current 2.4 in draft	2.3.1 The pharmacist must perform basic assessment of the patient proportional to the complexity of administration that includes: 2.3.1.1 History, 2.3.1.2 Overall condition, e.g. vital statistics, 2.3.1.3 Appropriate information if administering a drug by injection, including appropriate immunization information when administering a vaccine, e.g. reviewing immunization records, and 2.3.1.4 Condition of the administration site.	<p>2.4 Before Administration:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The pharmacist must perform basic assessment of the patient proportional to the complexity of administration that includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ History ○ Overall condition of the patient ○ '2.3.1.3' removed ○ Condition of the administration site
8	2.3 in current 2.4 in draft	2.3.2 The pharmacist must assess the appropriateness of the drug, including a vaccine, for the specific patient, including but not limited to: 2.3.2.5.3 Drug and route follows established protocols, if applicable	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The pharmacist must assess the appropriateness of the drug, for the specific patient, including but not limited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Following established protocols such as those in the drug manufacturer's monographs, if applicable



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9	2.3 in current practice direction 2.4 in draft	<p>2.3.5 In addition to the above, and before administering a drug under section 109(1), the pharmacist certified under section 114(1) must:</p> <p>2.3.5.1 Provide the patient the following information:</p> <p>2.3.5.1.1 Name of the drug, including a vaccine, to be administered,</p> <p>2.3.5.1.2 Indication for the drug, including a vaccine,</p> <p>2.3.5.1.3 Expected benefits and material risks of the administration and drug,</p> <p>2.3.5.1.4 Expected reaction,</p> <p>2.3.5.1.5 Usual and rare adverse effects,</p> <p>2.3.5.1.6 Rationale for the 15-30 minute wait following the administration,</p> <p>2.3.5.1.7 Importance of immediately consulting with the pharmacist if a reportable event occurs,</p> <p>2.3.5.1.8 Contacts for follow-up or emergency, and</p> <p>2.3.5.1.9 Any other information that a reasonable person in the same circumstances would require in order to make a decision about the drugs to be administered.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In addition to the above, and before administering a drug under section 109(1), the pharmacist certified under section 114(1) must <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Provide the patient with the following information: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Name of the drug, to be administered, ○ Indication for the drug, ○ Expected benefits and material risks of the administration and drug, ○ Expected reactions, ○ Usual and rare adverse effects, ○ Rationale for any required waiting period following the administration of an injectable medication or vaccine in a community outpatient setting, ○ Importance of immediately consulting with the pharmacist or an appropriate member of an interdisciplinary health team if applicable, if a reportable event (per the Immunization Regulation to the Public Health Act) occurs, ○ Contacts for follow-up or emergency, and
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10	2.3 in current 2.4 in draft	2.3.5.2 Ensure the pharmacy creates and maintains a clean, safe, appropriately private and comfortable environment within which the injection is to be administered.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Ensure a clean, safe, appropriately private and comfortable environment for drug administration is maintained.
11	2.3 in current 2.4 in draft	2.3.5.3 Be satisfied the drug, including a vaccine, to be injected is stable, has been prepared for administration using aseptic technique, has been stored properly and is clearly labeled.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Be satisfied the drug, to be administered is stable, has been prepared for administration using aseptic technique if applicable, has been stored properly, is clearly labeled and has been visually examined for physical irregularities
12		2.4.1 The pharmacist must: 2.4.1.2 Respond to complications of therapy, if they arise;	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The pharmacist must: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Respond to complications of therapy as they arise or transfer care to an appropriate health care provider as required;
13	2.6 in current 2.3 in draft (section moved up in draft)	2.6 Infection Control: 2.6.1 The pharmacist must use precautions for infection control, which includes: 2.6.1.1 Handling all body fluids and tissues as if they were infectious, regardless of the patient's diagnosis; 2.6.1.2 Washing hands before and after caring for the patient, and after removing gloves; and wearing gloves to prevent contact with body fluids excretions or contaminated surfaces or object;	2.3 Infection Control: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The pharmacist must use precautions for infection control, which includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Handling all body fluids and tissues as if they were infectious, regardless of the patient's diagnosis;



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		<p>2.6.1.3 Proper disposal of waste materials;</p> <p>2.6.1.4 Maintaining a setting for administration that is clean, safe, comfortable and appropriately private and furnished for the patient;</p> <p>2.6.1.5 Management of needle stick injuries.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Performing hand hygiene before and after caring for the patient, and after removing gloves (if used); ○ Take appropriate precaution to prevent contact with body fluids excretions or contaminated surfaces or object; ○ Proper disposal of waste materials; ○ Management of needle stick injuries according to the pharmacy policies and procedures.
14	2.3	2.3.4 The pharmacist must wash hands before (and after) caring for the patient	Moved from before administration section to infection control section