

## ASSESSMENT GUIDELINE

<b>Module Title</b>	<b>Medicines Optimisation</b>		
<b>Module Code</b>	HEA00156I	<b>Module Level*</b>	5
<b>Word Limit /Exam Duration</b>	[1] 1 hour [2] 2,000 words	<b>Assessment Type(s)</b>	[1] Open book numeracy exam [2] Essay
<p><b>Marking Criteria</b> Guidelines should be read in conjunction with the marking criteria guidance for the module level* noted above: <a href="http://www.york.ac.uk/healthsciences/student-intranet/exam-assess/markgrid/">http://www.york.ac.uk/healthsciences/student-intranet/exam-assess/markgrid/</a></p>			
<p><b>Confidentiality</b> It is a breach of confidentiality to disclose any personal information about a patient, service user, colleague, staff or any other person or place that could in principle enable them to be identified. For further guidance please refer to the departmental policy on Confidentiality at the following link: <a href="http://www.york.ac.uk/healthsciences/student-intranet/exam-assess/conduct/confidentiality/">www.york.ac.uk/healthsciences/student-intranet/exam-assess/conduct/confidentiality/</a></p>			
<p><b>Assessment Timing</b> The submission deadline is published on the Programme Assessment Schedule available on the following link: <a href="http://www.york.ac.uk/healthsciences/student-intranet/timetables/assessment-schedules/">http://www.york.ac.uk/healthsciences/student-intranet/timetables/assessment-schedules/</a></p>			
<p><b>Referencing</b> You <b>must</b> reference your work in accordance with departmental referencing guidelines which you can access via the following link: <a href="http://www.york.ac.uk/integrity/harvard.html">http://www.york.ac.uk/integrity/harvard.html</a></p>			
<p><b>Assessment Guidance</b></p> <p><b>Assessment Title</b> Medicines Optimisation means supporting individuals to get the maximum benefit from their medicines and to minimise any risk. You will be required to demonstrate your understanding of these principles in an essay. There is also a short numeracy exam which will test your ability to perform drug calculations effectively.</p> <p><b>Assessment Guidance</b> In order to successfully complete the module, you will write an essay and complete the numeracy exam to demonstrate achievement of the Learning Outcomes.</p> <p>The numeracy exam will be an open book examination in which you are required to demonstrate a range of numeracy skills required for medicines calculations.</p> <p><b>Part 1 – Open Book Numeracy Exam</b> The assessment is an unseen examination, to be completed within the SafeMedicate online platform. The assessment will be available for 4 hours from the time you start, within the 24 hour assessment period. You should aim to spend one hour (60 minutes) on this exam.</p> <p>The pass mark for this examination is 100% as stipulated by the Nursing &amp; Midwifery Council (2018).</p> <p><b>Part 2 – Safe Medicines Administration Essay</b> You will be assessed on your knowledge and skills in relation to the safe administration of medicines.</p> <p>You are required to identify a client you have seen in practice who was vulnerable to <b>ONE</b> particular risk, regarding their medicines regime (for example, a risk of a late or omitted dose of medication).</p> <p>You must identify the risk and explore any potential harm to this patient. This exploration should include <b>ONE</b> element of relevant pharmacology (for example, an effect on the therapeutic effects of the medication as a result of the risk).</p>			

You should also identify **ONE** nursing strategy in place to mitigate the identified risk and minimise harm to the patient (for example, the implementation of measures to mitigate the risk, such as family support or independence aids). You should consult the relevant literature when considering the effectiveness of this nursing strategy in minimising harm and discuss any limiting factors that prevented achieving best recommended practice.

**You must successfully complete both components of the assessment to pass this module.**

In the event of failure, you will be reassessed on the element(s) that you failed.

**Formative Support**

a) You will have access to drug calculations resources and will be given the opportunity to complete formative calculations tests within the online SafeMedicate platform, throughout your programme. The formative tests replicate the types of questions asked in the summative assessment.

b) You will be given the opportunity to submit 500 words: this can either be a section of your essay, or an essay plan. You will receive written feedback on your submission

c) You will receive feedback on your developing knowledge and understanding of pharmaco-therapeutics, pharmacodynamics and pharmacokinetics within your e-portfolio.

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