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Guest Lecture title: Role of Pharmacist in Pharmacovigilance

Day and Date: Thursday; 19/09/2024

Time: 9.30 - 11.00 am

Name of the speaker: Mr. Sheetal Chandan

Affiliation: Sr. Pharmacy Officer, Department of Pharmacy, KEM Hospital, Parel, Mumbai

No of attendees: 200 students and 10 faculty

Content: The Department of Lifelong Learning and Extension (DLLE) on the occasion of the 4th National Pharmacovigilance Week organized a talk and presentation of Mr. Sheetal Chandan, KEM Hospital. Mr. Sheetal Chandan is the Senior Pharmacy Officer at Department of Pharmacy, KEM Hospital who brings in more than 30 years of experience in Hospital and Clinical Pharmacy. He is Chairman of IPA (MSB), Hospital Pharmacy Division, Maharashtra, Coordinator of Maharashtra State Pharmacy Council, Mumbai and a member of Parivartan Mumbai (NGO), PVPI (KEM Hospital unit) working for ADR, Medicine Monitoring Committee KEM unit. Mr. Chandan is a recipient of prestigious awards like Best Pharmacist award in KEM Hospital, Pharma Ratna award from National NGO Delhi and Star Pharmacist award by Indian Pharmaceutical Association. In his talk Mr. Chandan emphasized on the crucial role played by Pharmacists in the thriving field of Health Maintenance and Management. As trusted medicine experts, they are essential to the healthcare system. Collaborating with surgeons, physicians, and nurses, pharmacists make informed decisions about drug formulations, administration, and therapeutic effects. In today's advanced world, they continuously engage in research through clinical studies and development processes. He explained the key role played by Pharmacists in pharmacovigilance by monitoring and reporting adverse drug reactions (ADRs). They ensure patient safety by collecting data on medication side effects, assessing risks, and communicating findings to healthcare professionals. Their expertise helps identify potential issues early, contributing to safer medication use and improved patient outcomes.

Mr. Chandan also spoke about the immense job opportunities Pharmacy graduated have in Hospital Pharmacy setups in the government as well as private sectors and urged the students to take up these opportunities to serve as essential guardians of patient safety, actively monitoring and reporting adverse drug reactions (ADRs) to ensure the safe use of medications and improve overall healthcare quality. Thus, he effectively communicated to the young budding Pharmacists that Pharmacists are vital in pharmacovigilance as they not only monitor and report adverse drug reactions (ADRs) but also serve as a bridge between patients and healthcare providers. By collecting and analyzing data on side effects, pharmacists can identify trends and potential issues early on, ultimately enhancing patient safety and contributing to better health outcomes. Their expertise is crucial in optimizing medication use and supporting informed decision-making in clinical settings.



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