Sample Stations - Part II (OSCE)

SAMPLE STATION #4

Non-Interactive Station

TITLE: Checking Dispensed Prescriptions

OBJECTIVE:

To check dispensed medications and identify any corrections that must be made before the medications can be released.

COMPETENCIES TESTED:

Competency 3 Product Distribution

Elements 3.1 Dispense a product safely and accurately that is appropriate for the patient.

CANDIDATE'S INSTRUCTIONS:

Before you enter the station:

- Take <u>one</u> Candidate Answer Sheet from the red folder marked "For Candidates Only", on the wall outside the station. (Do NOT take anything from any other folder.)
- Attach one bar code label to the Candidate Answer Sheet in the space indicated.

When the start signal sounds:

- Enter the station and begin immediately.
- Find the *prepared medications* and *corresponding written prescriptions* on the desk / table.

Do the exercise:

- There are four (4) DISPENSED MEDICATIONS to be assessed. The corresponding (4) WRITTEN PRESCRIPTIONS are taped to the desk / table.
- Some of the medications have ONE OR MORE problems to be resolved before they can be released to the patients.

For each DISPENSED MEDICATION:

- 1. Determine if it has been dispensed correctly.
- 2. If it is correct, fill in the bubble beside "No correction(s) required may be released as filled".
- 3. If any correction is required, fill in the bubble beside "Correction(s) required" and <u>clearly describe the necessary</u> <u>CORRECTION(S)</u> in the space provided on the Answer Sheet. Do <u>not</u> describe the problem.

Note: Some dispensed medications may require more than one correction.

- Do *not* consider the omission of auxiliary labels as a problem.
- Assume the prescriptions are correctly written and any therapeutic problems have been resolved.

Sample Answer Format:

Rx 1

- No correction(s) required may be released as filled.
- Correction(s) required clearly describe the CORRECTION(S): <u>Label instructions should be: 5 mL bid.</u>

When the final signal sounds:

- Stop writing and erasing immediately.
- Turn your completed Candidate Answer Sheet over (answer side down) on the desk / table, to be collected by examination staff.
- Proceed to the next station, taking your notebook (with barcodes) with you.

Time Frame: You have 7 minutes to complete this station.

Important:

- Do *not* physically correct the dispensed medication. Only specify the necessary correction(s) in the space provided on the Candidate Answer Sheet.
- Do *not* mark the product labels or written prescriptions in any way.
- Do *not* write over any bubbles on the Candidate Answer Sheet as this renders the sheet invalid.

WRITTEN PRESCRIPTIONS (only one example is provided; there will be four prescriptions in total):

R_x1

Veda Simmonds For 24 Anystreet

current date

Tylenol #3

Sig: 1 or 2 tablets every 6 hours

if needed for pain

Mitte: 30 tablets

Dr. N. Wong

Assume physician's signature is original

N. Wong, M.D.

DISPENSED MEDICATIONS (only one example is provided; there will usually be four dispensed medications in total):

Prepared R_x1 Label

Vera Simons

R₁

Dr. N. Wong Current Date

Take one or two tablets every six

hours if needed for pain.

Acetaminophen Compound/codeine 30 mg 30 tablets

(Tylenol#3)

CANDIDATE ANSWER SHEET FORMAT:

Sample Answer Format

R_x1	
0	No corrections required – may be released as filled.
•	Correction(s) required – clearly describe the CORRECTION(S) : <u>Patient name on label should be</u>
	"Veda Simmonds"

NOTE: An answer that states "Wrong patient name" would be incorrect as it does not specify the actual correction. (It only describes the problem.)

STATION MATERIALS AND REFERENCES:

Written prescriptions (four) Corresponding Prepared Prescriptions (four) Stock bottles (if applicable)