

Sample Stations - Part II (OSCE)

SAMPLE STATION #3

Non-Interactive Station

TITLE: Screening New Prescriptions

OBJECTIVE:

To effectively screen new prescriptions to identify and describe any errors, omissions or concerns.

COMPETENCIES TESTED:

Competency 2 Patient Care

Elements 2.4 Determine the patient's actual and potential drug therapy problems.

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 one 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 *references* and *written prescriptions* on the desk / table.

Do the exercise:

- There are five (5) WRITTEN PRESCRIPTIONS to be assessed. They are taped to the desk / table.
- Some of the written prescriptions have ONE OR MORE problems to be resolved before they can be processed and filled by a pharmacy technician.

For each WRITTEN PRESCRIPTION:

1. Determine if it is ready to be processed and filled by a pharmacy technician.
2. If there is no problem to be resolved before processing or filling the prescription, fill in the bubble beside "No problem - may be processed as written".
3. If there is any problem that needs to be resolved, fill in the bubble beside "Problem(s)" and **clearly describe the PROBLEM(S)** in the space provided.

Sample Answer Format:

Rx 1

- No problem – may be processed as written.
- Problem(s) – clearly describe the **PROBLEM(S)**: dose too low for this indication

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** mark the reference materials 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 (not provided here in full but would show the following)

R_x 1 Paroxetine 20 mg, mitte 4 weeks

Answer: Problem.

Description: no directions specified.

R_x 2 Acyclovir ointment, apply 4-6 times daily to affected area, for cold sore; mitte 4 g

Answer: No problem – may be processed as written.

R_x 3 fluticasone furoate—vilanterol trifenate 100/25 mcg, inhale 1 puff daily, mitte 1 inhaler for 12 year old patient.

Answer: Problem.

Description: medication not indicated for children.

R_x 4 Amoxicillin 250 mg, cap i tid x 7 days for Jamie, Celine and Dalia (ages: 6, 5 and 3 years)

Answer: Problem.

Description: prescription on one order cannot be written for more than one person.

R_x 5 Cefuroxime, cap i bid x 7 days

Answer: Problem.

Description: no strength specified.

CANDIDATE ANSWER SHEET FORMAT

R_x1	Paroxetine 20 mg; mitte 4 weeks
<input type="radio"/>	No problem - may be processed as written.
<input checked="" type="radio"/>	Problem(s) – clearly describe the PROBLEM(S) : <u>no directions specified.</u>

STATION MATERIALS AND REFERENCES

Printed prescriptions