

Sample Stations - Part II (OSCE)

SAMPLE STATION #4

Non-Interactive Station

TITLE: Checking Prepared Prescriptions

OBJECTIVE:

To check prepared 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 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 *prepared medications* and *corresponding written prescriptions* on the desk / table.

Do the exercise:

- There are four (4) PREPARED 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 PREPARED MEDICATION:

1. Determine if it has been prepared 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 **clearly describe the necessary CORRECTION(S)** in the space provided on the Answer Sheet. Do not describe the problem.

Note: Some prepared 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):** *Label instructions should be: 5 mL bid.*

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 prepared 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

For Veda Simmonds
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.

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

Prepared R_x1 Label

R _x 1	Dr. N. Wong
Vera Simons	Current Date
Take one or two tablets every six hours if needed for pain.	
Acetaminophen Compound/codeine 30 mg (Tylenol#3)	30 tablets

CANDIDATE ANSWER SHEET FORMAT:

Sample Answer Format

R _x 1	
<input type="radio"/>	No corrections required – may be released as filled.
<input checked="" type="radio"/>	Correction(s) required – clearly describe the CORRECTION(S) : <u>Patient name on label should be "Veda Simmonds"</u>

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)