# NHA Pharmacy Technician Exam Guide

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#### **Overview**

This document is designed to give instructors guidance on using HealthCenter21 with students preparing for the NHA Certified Pharmacy Technician (CPhT) Exam.

HealthCenter21 does not provide a comprehensive curriculum for Pharmacy Technicians. This guide will help you understand where AES can help and where other materials are required.

The National Healthcareer Association (NHA) provides an industry certification for pharmacy technicians that can be taken by high school students. NHA's certificate is called the **Certified Pharmacy Technician (CPT)**.

This document is based on the 2017 version of the NHA CPhT exam.

#### **Outline**

In this guide, you will find:

- 1. NHA CPhT exam eligibility requirements
- 2. Certification exam topic outline
- 3. HealthCenter21 modules recommended for CPhT exam prep
- 4. An in-depth crosswalk of HealthCenter21 to the NHA Test Plan
- 5. Additional resources for NHA CPhT exam prep





### 1. Eligibility Requirements for the NHA CPhT Exam

In order to sit for the NHA CPhT exam, students must have all of the following:

- 1. A high school diploma or GED equivalency
- 2. Successful completion of a CPhT training program

High school students may earn provisional certificates prior to graduation. Key information to note includes:

- 1. High school students must be within 60 days of meeting graduation requirements
- 2. High school students are not eligible for the exam in some states (Arizona)
- 3. High school students will receive provisional certifications
- 4. A provisional certificate expires 12 months from the exam date
- 5. After graduation, graduates may apply to convert the active provisional certificate to a full certificate

## 2. NHA CPhT Exam Topic Outline

The exam measures knowledge by asking questions 100 multiple choice questions, across four domains.

- 1. Overview and Laws (Total 25 Questions)
  - a. Role, Scope of Practice, and General Duties (11 Questions)
  - b. Laws and Regulations (8 Questions)
  - c. Controlled Substances (6 Questions)
- 2. Drugs and Drug Therapy (Total 15 Questions)
  - a. Drug Classifications (9 Questions)
  - b. Frequently Prescribed Medications (6 Questions)
- 3. Dispensing Process (Total 45 Questions)
  - a. Prescription and Medication Order Intake and Entry (15 Questions)
  - b. Preparing and Dispensing Prescriptions (13 Questions)
  - c. Calculations (7 Questions)
- 4. Medical Safety and Quality Assurance (Total 15 Questions)

For more details on the NHA CPhT exam content, see www.nhanow.com





### 3. HealthCenter21 Modules Recommended for CPhT Exam Prep

HealthCenter21 has many modules that will help your students prepare for the CPhT exam. The modules cover the foundational knowledge, specified on the test plan as "Supporting Knowledge." HealthCenter21 does not provide curriculum on processes and procedures related to Pharmacy Technician job duties.

The modules that cover CPhT Supporting Knowledge are:

- Anatomy & Physiology
- Emergency Care
- Health Information Technology
- Infection Control
- Insurance & Coding
- Legal & Ethical Responsibilities
- Medical Office Assistant
- Medical Records
- Medical Terminology
- Pharmacology
- Physical Examinations
- Safety Precautions
- Special Populations
- The Health Assistant
- Wellness & Nutrition

See the next page for an in-depth crosswalk between HealthCenter21 and the NHA CPhT Test Plan.

The coverage of each topic within HealthCenter21 is broken down as being High, Medium, Low, or Not Covered.





# 4. Crosswalk Between NHA Pharmacy Technician Test Plan & HealthCenter21

| Overview and Laws   |                                 |                         |
|---|---------------------------------|-------------------------|
| A. Role, Scope of Practice, and General Duties of                 | HealthCenter21 Location         | HealthCenter21 Coverage |
| the Pharm Tech  |                                 |                         |
| 1. Differentiate between tasks that may be performed by a         | Not Covered                     | Not Covered             |
| pharmacy technician and those that must be performed by a         |                                 |                         |
| pharmacist.   |                                 |                         |
| Supporting Knowledge  |                                 |                         |
| a. Role of the pharmacy technician                                |                                 |                         |
| b. Role of the pharmacist (for example: verification of           |                                 |                         |
| prescriptions, requirements for counseling)                       |                                 |                         |
| c. Scope of pharmacy technician practice                          |                                 |                         |
| d. Pharmacy operations and process flow                           |                                 |                         |
| e. Pharmacy practice settings (for example: community,            |                                 |                         |
| institutional, in-patient, long-term care, compounding)           |                                 |                         |
| 2. Maintain pharmacy security (for example: secure medications,   | Not Covered                     | Not Covered             |
| prevent unauthorized access).                                     |                                 |                         |
| Supporting Knowledge  |                                 |                         |
| a. Pharmacy security measures (for example: sign off, barriers)   |                                 |                         |
| b. Authorized personnel (including law enforcement), access to    |                                 |                         |
| pharmacy areas, identification requirements, level of             |                                 |                         |
| supervision   |                                 |                         |
| 3. Assist pharmacist in medication reconciliation.                | A - Not Covered                 |                         |
| Supporting Knowledge  |                                 |                         |
| a. Purpose and benefits of medication reconciliation and pharmacy | B - Module: Medical Terminology | B - High                |
| technician's role in medication reconciliation                    | Units 1 & 2                     |                         |
| b. Medical terminology (for example, pharmacy abbreviations,      |                                 |                         |
| prefixes, suffixes, root words, combining vowels)                 | C – Not Covered                 | C - High                |
| c. Communication methods and strategies (for example,             |                                 |                         |
| interviewing techniques, non-verbal cues, communication styles)   |                                 |                         |





| 4. Assist pharmacist in medication therapy management.   | A – Not Covered                             | B - High     |
|--|---|--------------|
| Supporting Knowledge   |   |              |
| <ul> <li>a. Purpose and benefits of medication therapy management<br/>(MTM) and pharmacy technician's role in MTM</li> </ul> | B - Module: Medical Terminology Units 1 & 2 |              |
| <ul> <li>Medical terminology (for example: pharmacy<br/>abbreviations, prefixes, suffixes, root words, combining</li> </ul>  | C – Not Covered                             |              |
| vowels)  | C - Not covered                             |              |
| c. Communication methods and strategies (for example:  |   |              |
| interviewing techniques, nonverbal cues, communication styles)   |   |              |
| 5. Assist patient in selecting compliance aids and devices.  | Not Covered                                 | Not Covered  |
| Supporting Knowledge   |   |              |
| a. Benefits of compliance aids and devices (for example:   |   |              |
| lockboxes, timers, personalized automatic dispensing devices)  |   |              |
| b. Communication methods and strategies (for example:  |   |              |
| interviewing techniques, nonverbal cues, communication   |   |              |
| styles)  | Madula: Madical Tausinalas:                 | Himb         |
| 6. Interpret basic medical terminology commonly used in the  | Module: Medical Terminology Units 1 & 2     | High         |
| pharmacy. Supporting Knowledge   | Offits 1 & 2                                |              |
| a. Medical terminology (for example: pharmacy abbreviations,   |   |              |
| prefixes, suffixes, root words, combining vowels)  |   |              |
| 7. Tailor communications to different audiences, including patients,   | Not Covered                                 | Not Covered  |
| caregivers, staff, and health care professionals.  |   | 1100 0010.00 |
| Supporting Knowledge   |   |              |
| Communication methods and strategies (for example:   |   |              |
| interviewing techniques, nonverbal cues, communication   |   |              |
| styles)  |   |              |
|  |   | Not Covered  |
| 8. Interact with customers and patients in a professional manner,  | Not Covered                                 | Not Covered  |
| including internal and external customers.   | Not Covered                                 | Not Covered  |
| including internal and external customers.  Supporting Knowledge   | Not Covered                                 | Not Covered  |
| including internal and external customers.  Supporting Knowledge  a. Communication methods and strategies (for example:      | Not Covered                                 | Not covered  |
| including internal and external customers.  Supporting Knowledge   | Not Covered                                 | Not Covered  |





| 9. Confirm final product verification has been completed by         | Not Covered                  | Not Covered  |
|---|------------------------------|--------------|
| pharmacist prior to release to patient.                             |                              |              |
| Supporting Knowledge  |                              |              |
| a. Role of the pharmacy technician                                  |                              |              |
| b. Role of the pharmacist (for example: verification of             |                              |              |
| prescriptions, requirements for counseling)                         |                              |              |
| 10. Assist the pharmacist in managing inventory by placing,         | Not Covered                  | Not Covered  |
| receiving, verifying, rotating, and stocking orders.                |                              |              |
| Supporting Knowledge  |                              |              |
| a. Pharmacy operations and process flow                             |                              |              |
| b. Components of drug pricing                                       |                              |              |
| c. Ordering and inventory management methods (for example:          |                              |              |
| PAR levels, just in time ordering, rotating inventory, fast         |                              |              |
| movers)   |                              |              |
| 11. Store medications following manufacturers' requirements (for    | A – Not Covered              |              |
| example: light, temperature, humidity).                             |                              |              |
| Supporting Knowledge  | B – Module: Pharmacology     | B - Medium   |
| a. Pharmacy operations and process flow                             | Unit 2, Lesson 2             |              |
| b. Storage requirements for medications                             |                              |              |
| 12. Identify and remove expired products in a pharmacy's inventory. | Not Covered                  | Not Covered  |
| Supporting Knowledge  |                              |              |
| a. Pharmacy operations and process flow                             |                              |              |
| b. Ordering and inventory management methods (for example:          |                              |              |
| PAR levels, just in time ordering, rotating inventory, fast         |                              |              |
| movers)   |                              |              |
| 13. Identify and remove recalled products from inventory.           | A & B – Not Covered          |              |
| Supporting Knowledge  |                              |              |
| a. Pharmacy operations and process flow                             | C & D – Module: Pharmacology | C & D - High |
| b. Classes of recalls and required actions                          | Unit 2, Lesson 1             |              |
| c. Ordering and inventory management methods (for example:          |                              |              |
| PAR levels, just in time ordering, rotating inventory, fast         |                              |              |
| movers)   |                              |              |
| d. Disposal methods   |                              |              |





| 14. Dispose of medications based on product-specific requirements. | A – Not Covered                |          |
|--|--------------------------------|----------|
| Supporting Knowledge   | D. Maril I. Diversity          | 5 U. I.  |
| a. Pharmacy operations and process flow                            | B – Module: Pharmacology       | B – High |
| b. Disposal methods  | Unit 2, Lesson 1               |          |
| c. Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS)/Safety Data Sheets (SDS)     |                                |          |
|  | C – Module: Safety Precautions | C - High |
|  | Unit 3, Lesson 3               |          |
| 15. Access and use references and resources as needed to perform   | A – G - Not Covered            |          |
| job duties.  |                                |          |
| Supporting Knowledge   | H – Module: Emergency Care     | H - High |
| a. USP Standards   | Unit 5, Lesson 2               |          |
| b. Orange Book   |                                |          |
| c. Red Book  |                                |          |
| d. Clinical information sources (for example: Drug Facts and       |                                |          |
| Comparisons, Micromedex, Lexicomp, Up to Date)                     |                                |          |
| e. Ident-a-drug  |                                |          |
| f. Handbook on Injectables   |                                |          |
| g. State Board of Pharmacy regulations                             |                                |          |
| h. Poison Control Centers  |                                |          |





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| B. Laws and Regulations  | HealthCenter21 Location                  | HealthCenter21 Coverage  |
| 1. Comply with federal laws and regulations applicable to pharmacy                 | A – Module: Medical Office Assistant     | A - High                 |
| practice.  | Unit 3, Lesson 1                         |                          |
| Supporting Knowledge   |  |                          |
| a. Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA)                     | B – D – Not Covered                      |                          |
| b. Combat Methamphetamine Epidemic Act of 2005 (CMEA)                              |  |                          |
| c. Drug Listing Act of 1972 (including elements of the NDC)                        | E – Module: Special Populations          | E – Medium               |
| d. Food and Drug Act of 1906   | Unit 2, Lesson 3                         |                          |
| e. Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1990 (OBRA 90)                             |  |                          |
| f. Durham-Humphrey Amendment   | F – M – Not Covered                      |                          |
| g. Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act  |  |                          |
| h. Drug Supply Chain Security Act (DSCSA) a.k.a. Track and Trace                   | N - Module: Insurance and Coding         | N – High                 |
| i. Laws related to bioequivalence  | Unit 2, Lessons 1 – 2                    |                          |
| j. Poison Prevention Packaging Act (PPPA)Kefauver-Harris                           |  |                          |
| Amendment  | O – Not Covered                          |                          |
| k. Orphan Drug Act   |  |                          |
| I. Medicare Modernization Act  | P - Module: Pharmacology                 | P – High                 |
| m. Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)                                | Unit 2, Lesson 1                         |                          |
| n. Anabolic Steroid Act  |  |                          |
| o. Safe handling and disposal practices for hazardous drugs (USP                   | Q – Module: Pharmacology                 | Q – High                 |
| p. <800>)  | Unit 2, Lesson 1                         |                          |
| q. Laws related to non-controlled substances when handling                         |  |                          |
| refills and/or partial filling of prescriptions                                    |  |                          |
| 2. Maintain HIPAA compliance while communicating and disclosing                    | Module: Health Information Technology    | High                     |
| information with patients, caregivers, health care professionals, and              | Unit 3, Lessons 1 – 3                    |                          |
| others.  |  |                          |
| Supporting Knowledge   | Module: Legal & Ethical Responsibilities |                          |
| a. Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA)                     | Unit 2, Lessons 1 – 4                    |                          |
| 3. Comply with HIPAA requirements regarding collection, storage,                   | Module: Medical Records                  | High                     |
| and disposal of patient information.   | Unit 4, Lessons 1 - 3                    |                          |
| Supporting Knowledge   |  |                          |
| <ul> <li>a. Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA)</li> </ul> |  |                          |





| 4. Whe  | n filling prescriptions or medication orders, comply with     | A – Module: Medical Office Assistant | A – High     |
|---------|---|--------------------------------------|--------------|
| applica | ble laws and regulations.                                     | Unit 3, Lesson 1                     |              |
| Suppor  | ting Knowledge  |                                      |              |
| a.      | Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA)   | B & C – Not Covered                  |              |
| b.      | Combat Methamphetamine Epidemic Act of 2005 (CMEA)            |                                      |              |
| c.      | Drug Listing Act of 1972 (including elements of the NDC)      | D – Module: Safety Precautions       | D – Medium   |
| d.      | Food and Drug Act of 1906                                     | Unit 1, Lesson 3                     |              |
| e.      | Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1990 (OBRA 90)           |                                      |              |
| f.      | Durham-Humphrey Amendment                                     | E – Module: Special Populations      | E – Medium   |
| g.      | Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act                                  | Unit 2, Lesson 3                     |              |
| h.      | Laws related to bioequivalence                                |                                      |              |
| i.      | Poison Prevention Packaging Act (PPPA)                        | F – J – Not Covered                  |              |
| j.      | Medicare Modernization Act                                    |                                      |              |
| k.      | Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)              | K – Module: Insurance and Coding     | K – Medium   |
| I.      | Anabolic Steroid Act  | Unit 2, Lesson 2                     |              |
| m.      | Safe handling and disposal practices for hazardous drugs (USP |                                      |              |
|         | <800>)  | L – Not Covered                      |              |
| n.      | Laws related to non-controlled substances when handling       |                                      |              |
|         | refills and/or partial filling of prescriptions               | M & N – Module: Pharmacology         | M & N – High |
| 0.      | Organizations/regulators related to pharmacy practice (for    | Unit 2, Lesson 1                     |              |
|         | example: OSHA, The Joint Commission, FDA)                     |                                      |              |
|         |   | O – Module: Safety Precautions       | O - High     |
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| 6. Package prescription medications in child-resistant containers or other approved containers as required.  Supporting Knowledge  a. Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act b. Poison Prevention Packaging Act (PPPA)  Not Covered  Not Covered  |  |
| other approved containers as required.  Supporting Knowledge  a. Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act  b. Poison Prevention Packaging Act (PPPA)  |  |
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| b. Poison Prevention Packaging Act (PPPA)   |  |
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| 7. Comply with OCHA was platians for disposal of shows Madula. The Health Assistant   |  |
| 7. Comply with OSHA regulations for disposal of sharps.  Module: The Health Assistant  High   |  |
| Supporting Knowledge Unit 4, Lesson 2   |  |
| a. Organizations/regulators related to pharmacy practice (for example: OSHA, The Joint Commission, FDA)   |  |





| 8. Comply with laws related to monitoring and reporting fraud,   | Module: The Health Assistant   |          |
|--|--------------------------------|----------|
| waste, and abuse.  | Unit 4, Lesson 3               |          |
| Supporting Knowledge   |                                |          |
| a. Combat Methamphetamine Epidemic Act of 2005 (CMEA)            | A – C – Not Covered            |          |
| b. Drug Supply Chain Security Act (DSCSA) a.k.a. Track and Trace |                                |          |
| c. Medicare Modernization Act                                    | D – Module: Insurance & Coding | D – High |
| d. Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)              | Unit 2, Lesson 2               |          |
| e. Anabolic Steroid Act  |                                |          |
| f. Organizations/regulators related to pharmacy practice (for    | E – Not Covered                |          |
| example: OSHA, The Joint Commission, FDA)                        |                                |          |
|  | F – Module: Pharmacology       | F - High |
|  | Unit 2. Lesson 1               |          |





| 9. Follow record-keeping and retention procedures per federal   | Module: Pharmacology                  |              |
|---|---------------------------------------|--------------|
| requirements.   | Unit 2, Lesson 1                      |              |
| Supporting Knowledge  |                                       |              |
| a. Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA)  | A – Module: Medical Office Assistant  | A – High     |
| b. Combat Methamphetamine Epidemic Act of 2005 (CMEA)           | Unit 3, Lesson 1                      |              |
| c. Drug Listing Act of 1972 (including elements of the NDC)     |                                       |              |
| d. Food and Drug Act of 1906                                    | B – Not Covered                       |              |
| e. Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1990 (OBRA 90)          |                                       |              |
| f. Durham-Humphrey Amendment                                    | C – Module: Pharmacology              | C – Medium   |
| g. Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act                                 | Unit 3, Lesson 2                      |              |
| h. Drug Supply Chain Security Act (DSCSA) a.k.a. Track and Trac |                                       |              |
| i. Laws related to bioequivalence                               | D – Module: Safety Precautions        | D – High     |
| j. Poison Prevention Packaging Act (PPPA)                       | Unit 1, Lesson 3                      |              |
| k. Kefauver-Harris Amendment                                    |                                       |              |
| I. Orphan Drug Act  | E – Module: Special Populations       | E – High     |
| m. Medicare Modernization Act                                   | Unit 2, Lesson 3                      |              |
| n. Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)             |                                       |              |
| o. Anabolic Steroid Act   | F – M – Not Covered                   |              |
| p. Safe handling and disposal practices for hazardous drugs (US |                                       |              |
| <800>)  | N – Module: Medical Office Assistant, | N – High     |
| q. Laws related to non-controlled substances when handling      | Insurance & Coding                    |              |
| refills and/or partial filling of prescriptions                 | Unit 3, Lesson 1                      |              |
| r. Organizations/regulators related to pharmacy practice (for   |                                       |              |
| example: OSHA, The Joint Commission, FDA)                       | O – Not Covered                       |              |
|   |                                       |              |
|   | P & Q – Module: Pharmacology          | P & Q – High |
|   | Unit 2, Lesson 1                      |              |
|   |                                       |              |
|   | R – Safety Precautions                |              |
|   | Unit 1, Lesson 1                      | R - High     |





| Overview and Laws C. Controlled Substances   | HealthCenter21 Location                                 | HealthCenter21 Coverage             |
|--|---|-------------------------------------|
| Differentiate among the controlled substances schedules and the drugs within them.     Supporting Knowledge  | A – C – <b>Module: Pharmacology</b><br>Unit 2, Lesson 1 | A – C – High                        |
| <ul><li>a. Controlled Substances Act (CSA)</li><li>b. Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) for controlled</li></ul>   | D – Not Covered   |                                     |
| substances c. Schedules of controlled substances and drugs within them d. Exempt narcotics e. Prescription requirements for controlled substances f. Elements of and formula for DEA number g. DEA forms (for example: 41, 106, 222) h. Procedures for ordering, receiving, storing, and disposing of i. controlled substances | E - H – <b>Module: Pharmacology</b> Unit 2, Lesson 1    | E – High<br>F – Low<br>G – H – High |
| 2. Identify elements needed to verify the validity of DEA number.  | Module: Pharmacology                                    | Low                                 |
| Supporting Knowledge  a. Elements of and formula for DEA number  | Unit 2, Lesson 1  |                                     |
| 3. Verify, on intake, required information is on prescription for controlled substance.  Supporting Knowledge  | A – C – <b>Module: Pharmacology</b> Unit 1, Lesson 1    | A – C – High                        |
| <ul> <li>a. Controlled Substances Act (CSA)</li> <li>b. Schedules of controlled substances and drugs within them</li> </ul>  | D – Not Covered   | E Llieb                             |
| <ul><li>c. Prescription requirements for controlled substances</li><li>d. Elements of and formula for DEA number</li><li>e. Expiration dates and refills for controlled substances</li></ul>   | E – <b>Module: Pharmacology</b> Unit 1, Lesson 1        | E – High                            |
| <ul> <li>f. Laws, regulations, and processes to transfer controlled<br/>substances between pharmacies</li> <li>g. Diversion and prescription monitoring programs</li> </ul>  | F – G – Not Covered                                     |                                     |





| 4. Comply with laws and regulations when filling, partial filling, and | A – E – Module: Pharmacology | A – C – High |
|--|------------------------------|--------------|
| refilling prescriptions for controlled substances.                     | Unit 1, Lesson 1             | D – Medium   |
| Supporting Knowledge   |                              | E – High     |
| a. Controlled Substances Act (CSA)                                     | F – H – Not Covered          |              |
| b. Schedules of controlled substances and drugs within them            |                              |              |
| c. Prescription requirements for controlled substances                 | I – Module: Pharmacology     | I – High     |
| d. Elements of and formula for DEA number                              | Unit 1, Lesson 1             |              |
| e. Expiration dates and refills for controlled substances              |                              |              |
| f. Emergency filling procedures  | J – Not Covered              |              |
| g. Laws, regulations, and processes to transfer controlled             |                              |              |
| substances between pharmacies  |                              |              |
| h. Laws, regulations, and processes to transfer prescriptions for      |                              |              |
| controlled substances between pharmacies                               |                              |              |
| i. Tracking requirements for perpetual inventory of controlled         |                              |              |
| substances   |                              |              |
| j. Diversion and prescription monitoring programs                      |                              |              |
| 5. File all classes of prescriptions appropriately.                    | Module: Pharmacology         | High         |
| Supporting Knowledge   | Unit 1, Lesson 1             |              |
| a. Controlled Substances Act (CSA)                                     |                              |              |
| b. Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) for controlled                |                              |              |
| substances   |                              |              |
| c. Filing requirements   |                              |              |





| 6. <b>Con</b> | ply with federal laws pertaining to the handling of Schedule V         | A – C – Module: Pharmacology  | A – C – High |
|---------------|--|-------------------------------|--------------|
| (exem         | ot narcotics) and regulated (BTC) non-prescription products.           | Unit 1, Lesson 1              |              |
| Suppo         | ting Knowledge   |                               |              |
| a.            | Controlled Substances Act (CSA)  | D – G – Not Covered           |              |
| b.            | Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) for controlled                   |                               |              |
|               | substances   | H – I – Module: Pharmacology  | H – I – High |
| c.            | Schedules of controlled substances and drugs within them               | Unit 2, Lesson 1              |              |
| d.            | Exempt narcotics   |                               |              |
| e.            | Filing requirements  | J – Not Covered               |              |
| f.            | Laws, regulations, and processes to transfer controlled                |                               |              |
|               | substances between pharmacies  |                               |              |
| g.            | Laws, regulations, and processes to transfer prescriptions for         |                               |              |
|               | controlled substances between pharmacies                               |                               |              |
| h.            | Procedures for ordering, receiving, storing, and disposing of          |                               |              |
|               | controlled substances  |                               |              |
| i.            | Tracking requirements for perpetual inventory of controlled            |                               |              |
|               | substances   |                               |              |
| j.            | Diversion and prescription monitoring programs                         |                               |              |
| 7. <b>Ord</b> | er, store, and maintain inventory of controlled substances in          | A – B – Module: Pharmacology  | A – B – High |
| accord        | ance with CSA.   | Unit 1, Lesson 1              |              |
| Suppo         | ting Knowledge   |                               |              |
| a.            | Controlled Substances Act (CSA)  | C – Not Covered               |              |
| b.            | Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) for controlled                   |                               |              |
|               | substances   | D – Module: Pharmacology      | D – High     |
| c.            | DEA forms (for example: 41, 106, 222)                                  | Unit 1, Lesson 1              |              |
| d.            | Procedures for ordering, receiving, storing, and disposing of          |                               |              |
|               | controlled substances  | E – Module: Medical Assistant | E - High     |
| e.            | Tracking requirements for perpetual inventory of controlled substances | Unit 2, Lesson 1              |              |
| f.            | Diversion and prescription monitoring programs                         | F – Not Covered               |              |





| Drugs and Drug Therapy A. Drug Classification                        | HealthCenter21 Location          | HealthCenter21 Coverage |
|--|----------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. Differentiate among therapeutic classes of drugs.                 | Module: Pharmacology             | High                    |
| Supporting Knowledge   | Unit 1, Lesson 1                 |                         |
| a. Drug classes (for example: analgesics, dermatologics)             | Unit 2, Lesson 2                 |                         |
| b. Drug class abbreviations (for example: NSAID, SSRI, ARB, ACE)     |                                  |                         |
| 2. Differentiate among various dosage forms.                         | Module: Medical Mathematics      | Medium                  |
| Supporting Knowledge   | Unit 4, Lesson 2                 |                         |
| a. Dosage forms (for example: tablets, capsules, ointments, creams,  |                                  |                         |
| controlled-release, immediate-release, elixir, suspension)           |                                  |                         |
| 3. Differentiate among various routes of administration.             | Module: Pharmacology             | High                    |
| Supporting Knowledge   | Unit 3, Lesson 2                 |                         |
| a. Routes of administration (for example: topical, parenteral, oral) |                                  |                         |
| 4. Match common prescription/legend medications with their           | A & C – Not Covered              |                         |
| indications.   |                                  |                         |
| Supporting Knowledge   | B – Module: Anatomy & Physiology | B - High                |
| a. Indications for frequently prescribed medications                 |                                  |                         |
| b. Basic body systems and disease states                             |                                  |                         |
| c. Prescription/legend medications and their indications             |                                  |                         |
| 5. Match common over-the-counter (OTC) products with their           | A – Module: Anatomy & Physiology | A – High                |
| indications.   |                                  |                         |
| Supporting Knowledge   | B – Not Covered                  |                         |
| a. Basic body systems and disease states                             |                                  |                         |
| b. Over-the-counter (OTC) medications and their indications          |                                  |                         |
| 6. Match common behind-the-counter (BTC) products with their         | A – Module: Anatomy & Physiology | A – High                |
| indications.   |                                  |                         |
| Supporting Knowledge   | B – Not Covered                  |                         |
| a. Basic body systems and disease states                             |                                  |                         |
| b. Behind-the-counter (BTC) medications and their indications        |                                  |                         |





| Drugs and Drug Therapy B. Frequently Prescribed Medications                                 | HealthCenter21 Location          | HealthCenter21 Coverage |
|---|----------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. Match brand and generic names of commonly used prescription medications.                 | A & C – Not Covered              |                         |
| Supporting Knowledge  | B – Module: Wellness & Nutrition | B - High                |
| a. Drug Topics Top 200 medications (by prescription volume per year)                        | Unit 2, Lesson 1                 | g                       |
| <ul><li>b. Brand and generic medication names</li><li>c. Therapeutic equivalence</li></ul>  |                                  |                         |
| 2. Differentiate between side effects and adverse drug reactions.                           | Module: Pharmacology             | Medium                  |
| Supporting Knowledge  | Unit 1, Lesson 2                 |                         |
| a. Effects and side-effects of pharmacotherapy  |                                  |                         |
| 3. Differentiate between contraindications and drug interactions.                           | Module: Pharmacology             | Medium                  |
| Supporting Knowledge  | Unit 1, Lesson 2                 |                         |
| <ul> <li>a. Drug interactions (for example: drug-drug, drug-food, drug-<br/>OTC)</li> </ul> |                                  |                         |
| 4. Recognize physical interactions and incompatibilities in the                             | Not Covered                      | Not Covered             |
| preparation of compounded and parenteral medications.                                       |                                  |                         |
| Supporting Knowledge  |                                  |                         |
| a. Physical interactions and incompatibilities  |                                  |                         |
| 5. Recognize common vaccines and immunization schedules.                                    | Module: Physical Examinations    | High                    |
| Supporting Knowledge  | Unit 3, Lesson 2                 |                         |
| a. Vaccine and immunization schedules   |                                  |                         |





| Dispensing Process  A. Prescription and Medication Order Intake and Entry                         | HealthCenter21 Location        | HealthCenter21 Coverage |
|---|--------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. Analyze a prescription or medication order for completeness and                                |                                | A & B – High            |
| obtain  | Unit 2, Lessons 1 – 2          |                         |
| missing information.  |                                |                         |
| Supporting Knowledge  | C – Not Covered                |                         |
| a. Required components of a prescription  |                                |                         |
| b. Types/formats of prescription/medication orders (for   | D – Module: Pharmacology       | D – High                |
| example: telephone, facsimile, electronic prescription orders computerized physician order entry) | , Unit 2, Lesson 1             |                         |
| c. Providers with prescribing authority (what types of providers                                  | E – Module: Insurance & Coding | E – Medium              |
| can prescribe what types of medications)  | Unit 4, Lesson 2               |                         |
| d. Allowable refills based on prescription drug type and drug                                     |                                |                         |
| class   | F – Module: Pharmacology       | F – High                |
| e. National Provider Identifier (NPI)   | Unit 2, Lesson 2               |                         |
| f. Purpose and use of SIG codes/pharmacy abbreviations  |                                |                         |
| g. Institute for Safe Medication Practices error-prone  | G & H – Not Covered            |                         |
| abbreviations list  |                                |                         |
| h. DAW codes and their uses   |                                |                         |





| 2. Prod  | ess prescription orders (for example: telephone, facsimile,   | A & B – Module: Pharmacology                         | A & B – High |
|----------|---|--|--------------|
| and ele  | ectronic).  | Unit 2, Lessons 1 – 2                                |              |
| Suppoi   | ting Knowledge  |  |              |
|          | Required components of a prescription   | C – Not Covered                                      |              |
| b.       | Types/formats of prescription/medication orders (for example: telephone, facsimile, electronic prescription orders, computerized physician order entry) | D – <b>Module: Pharmacology</b> Unit 2, Lesson 1     | D – High     |
|          | Providers with prescribing authority (what types of providers can prescribe what types of medications)  | E – Not Covered                                      |              |
| d.       | Allowable refills based on prescription drug type and drug  |  |              |
|          | class   | F - Module: Pharmacology                             | F - High     |
| e.<br>f. | Components of a patient profile National Provider Identifier (NPI)  | Unit 2, Lesson 2                                     |              |
| g.       | Purpose and use of SIG codes/pharmacy abbreviations   | G – Module: Pharmacology                             | G – High     |
| h.       | Institute for Safe Medication Practices error-prone abbreviations list  | Unit 2, Lesson 2                                     |              |
| i.       | DAW codes and their uses  | H – J – Not Covered                                  |              |
| j.       | Appropriate responses to electronic alerts  |  |              |
| k.       | Components required to process a third-party claim (for   | K – Module: Insurance & Coding                       | K – High     |
| I.       | example: BIN, PCN, prescription group code, person code) Coordination of benefits   | Unit 4, Lesson 2                                     |              |
| m.       | Types of formularies  | L & M – Not Covered                                  |              |
| n.       | Types of third-party rejections (for example: duplicate   |  |              |
|          | therapy, high dose, prior authorization, missing diagnosis code)  | N – Module: Insurance & Coding<br>Unit 4, Lesson 2   | N – High     |
| 0.       | Tiered copays   |  |              |
| p.       | Types of coverage (for example: Medicare, Medicaid, workers' compensation, HMO, patient assistance programs)  | O – Not Covered                                      |              |
| q.       | Drug utilization reviews/Drug utilization evaluations   | P – Module: Insurance & Coding Unit 4, Lessons 1 – 4 | P – High     |
|          |   | Q – Not Covered                                      |              |





| 3. Process prescription refill authorization requests from  | A – Not Covered                                 |            |
|---|---|------------|
| prescribers.  |   |            |
| Supporting Knowledge  | B – Module: Pharmacology                        | B - High   |
| <ul><li>a. Providers with prescribing authority (what types of providers can prescribe what types of medications)</li><li>b. Allowable refills based on prescription drug type and drug class</li></ul> | Unit 2, Lesson 1                                |            |
| 4. Obtain information for the patient profile from patients, such as  | A – Module: Health Information                  | A – Medium |
| demographics, medication history (including OTCs and herbal   | Technology                                      |            |
| supplements), health conditions, concurrent medications, allergies,   | Unit 2, Lesson 1                                |            |
| and third-party payers.   | ,   |            |
| Supporting Knowledge  | B – Module: Insurance & Coding                  | B – High   |
| a. Components of a patient profile  | Unit 4, Lesson 2                                |            |
| b. Components required to process a third-party claim (for  |   |            |
| example: BIN, PCN, prescription group code, person code)  | C – Module: Insurance & Coding                  | C - High   |
| c. Types of coverage (for example: Medicare, Medicaid,  | Unit 2, Lessons 1 - 4                           |            |
| workers' compensation, HMO, patient assistance programs)  |   |            |
| 5. Enter and maintain electronic patient profiles.  | A – Module: Health Information                  | A – Medium |
| Supporting Knowledge  | Technology                                      |            |
| a. Components of a patient profile  | Unit 2, Lesson 1                                |            |
| b. Components required to process a third-party claim (for  |   |            |
| example: BIN, PCN, prescription group code, person code)  | B – Module: Insurance & Coding                  | B – High   |
| c. Types of coverage (for example: Medicare, Medicaid,  | Unit 4, Lesson 2                                |            |
| workers' compensation, HMO, patient assistance programs)  | 6 14 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1        | C. USA     |
|   | C – Module: Insurance & Coding                  | C – High   |
| C. Idoutify and input third mounty payor idoutifier numbers   | Unit 2, Lessons 1 - 4                           | A High     |
| 6. <b>Identify and input third-party payer identifier numbers.</b> Supporting Knowledge   | A – Module: Insurance & Coding Unit 4, Lesson 2 | A – High   |
| a. Components required to process a third-party claim (for  | Offic 4, Lesson 2                               |            |
| example: BIN, PCN, prescription group code, person code)  | B – Not Covered                                 |            |
| b. Coordination of benefits   | D NOT COVERED                                   |            |
| c. Types of coverage (for example: Medicare, Medicaid,  | C – Module: Insurance & Coding                  | C - High   |
| workers' compensation, HMO, patient assistance programs)  | Unit 2, Lessons 1 - 4                           | 56.1       |





| 7. Proc | ess third-party prescriptions (for example: coordination of  | A & B – Not Covered                     |          |
|---------|--|---|----------|
| benefit | ts, rejections, copays, prior authorizations).   |   |          |
| Suppor  | ting Knowledge   | C - Module: Insurance & Coding          | C – High |
| a.      | DAW codes and their uses   | Unit 4, Lesson 2                        |          |
|         | Appropriate responses to electronic alerts   |   |          |
| C.      | Components required to process a third-party claim (for  | D & E – Not Covered                     |          |
|         | example: BIN, PCN, prescription group code, person code)   |   |          |
|         | Coordination of benefits   | F - Module: Insurance & Coding          | F – High |
|         | Types of formularies   | Unit 4, Lesson 2                        |          |
| t.      | Types of third-party rejections (for example: duplicate  |   |          |
|         | therapy, high dose, prior authorization, missing diagnosis   | G – Not Covered                         |          |
|         | code)  | II. Madula Incomence O Cadina           | II II:ab |
| _       | Tiered copays  | H - Module: Insurance & Coding          | H - High |
| n.      | Types of coverage (for example: Medicare, Medicaid, workers' compensation, HMO, patient assistance programs) | Unit 2, Lessons 1 - 4                   |          |
| ° Com   | municate with patients, providers, and/or third-party payers   | A – Not Covered                         |          |
|         | prescription coverage.   | A – Not Covered                         |          |
|         | ting Knowledge   | B - Module: Insurance & Coding          | B – High |
|         | Appropriate responses to electronic alerts   | Unit 4, Lesson 2                        | B - High |
|         | Components required to process a third-party claim (for  | Offic 4, EC33011 2                      |          |
| υ.      | example: BIN, PCN, prescription group code, person code)   | C & D – Not Covered                     |          |
| C.      | Coordination of benefits   | The covered                             |          |
|         | Types of formularies   | E - Module: Insurance & Coding          | E – High |
|         | Types of third-party rejections (for example: duplicate  | Unit 4, Lesson 2                        |          |
|         | therapy, high dose, prior authorization, missing diagnosis   | , |          |
|         | code)  | F – Not Covered                         |          |
| f.      | Tiered copays  |   |          |
|         | Types of coverage (for example: Medicare, Medicaid,  | G - Module: Insurance & Coding          | G – High |
| -       | workers' compensation, HMO, patient assistance programs)   | Unit 4, Lessons 1 – 4                   |          |
| h.      | Drug utilization reviews/Drug utilization evaluations  |   |          |
|         |  | H – Not Covered                         |          |





| 9. Translate prescriber's directions for use into accurate and  | A – B – Module: Pharmacology | A – B – High    |
|---|------------------------------|-----------------|
| complete directions for the patient.  | Unit 2, Lesson 2             |                 |
| Supporting Knowledge  |                              |                 |
| <ul> <li>Types/formats of prescription/medication orders (for<br/>example: telephone, facsimile, electronic prescription orders,</li> </ul> | C – Not Covered              |                 |
| computerized physician order entry)   | D – Module: Pharmacology     | D – High        |
| <ul> <li>b. Allowable refills based on prescription drug type and drug class</li> </ul>   | Unit 2, Lesson 1             |                 |
| c. Purpose and use of SIG codes/pharmacy abbreviations  | E – Not Covered              | E – Not Covered |
| d. Institute for Safe Medication Practices error-prone  |                              |                 |
| abbreviations list  |                              |                 |
| e. DAW codes and their uses   |                              |                 |
| 10. Interpret abbreviations used on prescriptions or medication   | A – Module: Pharmacology     | A – High        |
| orders.   | Unit 2, Lesson 2             |                 |
| Supporting Knowledge  |                              |                 |
| a. Purpose and use of SIG codes/pharmacy abbreviations  | B – Not Covered              |                 |
| b. Institute for Safe Medication Practices error-prone abbreviations list   |                              |                 |





| 11. Enter prescription information into the computer.              | A – Module: Medical Mathematics | A – High    |
|--|---------------------------------|-------------|
| Supporting Knowledge   | Unit 4, Lesson 1                |             |
| a. Required components of a prescription                           | ,                               |             |
| b. Types/formats of prescription/medication orders (for            | B – Module: Pharmacology        | B – High    |
| example: telephone, facsimile, electronic prescription orders,     | Unit 2, Lesson 2                | S           |
| computerized physician order entry)                                | ,                               |             |
| c. Providers with prescribing authority (what types of providers   | C – Not Covered                 |             |
| can prescribe what types of medications)                           |                                 |             |
| d. Allowable refills based on prescription drug type and drug      | D – Module: Pharmacology        | D – High    |
| class  | Unit 2, Lesson 1                |             |
| e. National Provider Identifier (NPI)                              |                                 |             |
| f. Purpose and use of SIG codes/pharmacy abbreviations             | E – Module: Insurance & Coding  | E – Medium  |
| g. Institute for Safe Medication Practices error-prone             | Unit 4, Lesson 2                |             |
| abbreviations list   |                                 |             |
| h. DAW codes and their uses  | F - Module: Pharmacology        | F – High    |
|  | Unit 2, Lesson 2                |             |
|  |                                 |             |
|  | G & H – Not Covered             |             |
| 12. Use correct DAW codes when entering prescription data into the | Not Covered                     | Not Covered |
| computer.  |                                 |             |
| Supporting Knowledge   |                                 |             |
| a. DAW codes and their uses  | A Not Constant                  |             |
| 13. Respond to electronic alerts (for example: compliance,         | A – Not Covered                 |             |
| interaction, third party payers) while processing a prescription.  | D. Madulas Incomence & Coding   | D High      |
| Supporting Knowledge   | B – Module: Insurance & Coding  | B – High    |
| a. Appropriate responses to electronic alerts                      | Unit 4, Lesson 2                |             |
| b. Types of third-party rejections (for example: duplicate         | C – Not Covered                 |             |
| therapy, high dose, prior authorization, missing diagnosis code)   | C - Not Covered                 |             |
| c. Drug utilization reviews/Drug utilization evaluations           |                                 |             |
| c. Drug dillization reviews/ Drug dillization evaluations          |                                 |             |





| 14. Process Durable Medical Equipment (DME) prescriptions,    | A – Not Covered                |          |
|---|--------------------------------|----------|
| including coordination of benefits with Medicare Part B or D. |                                |          |
| Supporting Knowledge  | B – Module: Insurance & Coding | B – High |
| a. Coordination of benefits                                   | Unit 2, Lessons 1 – 4          |          |
| b. Types of coverage (for example: Medicare, Medicaid,        |                                |          |
| workers'  | C – Module: Insurance & Coding | C – Low  |
| c. compensation, HMO, patient assistance programs)            | Unit 2, Lesson 1               |          |
| d. Durable medical equipment                                  |                                |          |

| Dispensing Process  B. Preparing and Dispensing Prescriptions      | HealthCenter21 Location  | HealthCenter21 Coverage |
|--|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. Identify medications that require special handling procedures.  | A – Module: Pharmacology | A – High                |
| Supporting Knowledge   | Unit 2, Lesson 1         |                         |
| a. When to keep medication in original packaging                   |                          |                         |
| b. Purpose of Risk Evaluation Mitigation Strategies (REMS)         | B – C – Not Covered      |                         |
| program c. Considerations for handling hazardous drugs (USP <800>) |                          |                         |
| 2. Stock and use automated dispensing machines.                    | Not Covered              | Not Covered             |
| Supporting Knowledge   |                          |                         |
| a. Role and benefits of automated dispensing systems in the        |                          |                         |
| pharmacy   |                          |                         |
| 3. Select appropriate medication product based on                  | A – Module: Pharmacology | A – High                |
| prescription/legend, OTC, or BTC status; name and strength; NDC    | Unit 3, Lesson 2         |                         |
| number; expiration date; and lot number.                           |                          |                         |
| Supporting Knowledge   | B & C – Not Covered      |                         |
| a. Components of an NDC number                                     |                          |                         |
| b. Distinction between prescription/legend, over-the-counter,      | D – Module: Pharmacology | D - High                |
| and behind-the-counter medications                                 | Unit 3, Lesson 2         |                         |
| c. Federal restrictions on shipping of specific medications and    |                          |                         |
| supplies (for example: diabetic testing supplies, controlled       |                          |                         |
| substances)  |                          |                         |
| d. Components of an OTC label                                      |                          |                         |





| 4. Count/measure or pour medication into appropriate container.      | A – Module: Pharmacology        | A – High    |
|--|---------------------------------|-------------|
| Supporting Knowledge   | Unit 2, Lesson 1                |             |
| a. When to keep medication in original packaging                     |                                 |             |
| b. Considerations for handling hazardous drugs (USP <800>)           | B – Not Covered                 |             |
| 5. Select appropriate prescription vials, caps, bottles, and other   | A – Not Covered                 |             |
| supplies.  |                                 |             |
| Supporting Knowledge   | B – Module: Medical Mathematics | B - High    |
| a. Poison Prevention Packaging Act (PPPA)                            | Unit 3, Lessons 1 - 4           |             |
| b. Measurement systems (for example, metric, household,              |                                 |             |
| roman numerals, military time)                                       |                                 |             |
| 6. Label medication products packaged in approved containers or,     | A – Module: Pharmacology        | A – High    |
| when appropriate, in original packages.                              | Unit 2, Lesson 1                |             |
| Supporting Knowledge   |                                 |             |
| <ul> <li>a. When to keep medication in original packaging</li> </ul> | B – Module: Medical Mathematics | B - High    |
| b. Components of a patient prescription label                        | Unit 4, Lesson 1                |             |
| c. Label placement   |                                 |             |
| d. Purpose of auxiliary labels                                       | C - E – Not Covered             |             |
| e. Labels appropriate to different types and classes of drugs        |                                 |             |
| 7. Select and apply appropriate auxiliary labels.                    | Not Covered                     | Not Covered |
| Supporting Knowledge   |                                 |             |
| a. Purpose of auxiliary labels                                       |                                 |             |
| b. Labels appropriate to different types and classes of drugs        |                                 |             |
| 8. Provide printed patient information leaflets and required         | Not Covered                     | Not Covered |
| medication guides.   |                                 |             |
| Supporting Knowledge   |                                 |             |
| a. Purpose of Risk Evaluation Mitigation Strategies (REMS)           |                                 |             |
| program  |                                 |             |
| b. Prescriptions that require federal medication guides              |                                 |             |
| c. Difference between medication guides and product package          |                                 |             |
| inserts  |                                 |             |





| 9. Package and ship medications according to manufacturers' recommendations.  Supporting Knowledge  a. Federal restrictions on shipping of specific medications and supplies (for example: diabetic testing supplies, controlled substances) | Not Covered                         | Not Covered |
|--|-------------------------------------|-------------|
| 10. Select appropriate OTC product based on pharmacist   | A – Module: Wellness & Nutrition    | A – High    |
| recommendation.  | Unit 3, Lesson 1                    |             |
| Supporting Knowledge   |                                     |             |
| a. Distinction between prescription/legend, over-the-counter,  | B – Module: Nutrition & Elimination | B – Medium  |
| and behind-the-counter medications   | Unit 1, Lesson 1                    |             |
| b. Vitamins, minerals, and herbal supplements  |                                     |             |
| c. Components of an OTC label  | C – Module: Pharmacology            | C - High    |
|  | Unit 3, Lesson 2                    |             |
| 11. Offer pharmacist consultation to patients.   | Module: Special Populations         | High        |
| Supporting Knowledge   | Unit 2, Lesson 3                    |             |
| a. Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1990 (OBRA 90)   |                                     |             |
| 12. Identify prescriptions that have been forged, copied or possibly   | Not Covered                         | Not Covered |
| altered.   |                                     |             |
| Supporting Knowledge   |                                     |             |
| a. Security features of prescriptions  |                                     |             |





| Dispensing Process C. Calculations   | HealthCenter21 Location                             | HealthCenter21 Coverage |
|--|---|-------------------------|
| 1. Convert within and between each of the systems of measurement.  | Module: Medical Mathematics                         | A – High                |
| Supporting Knowledge   | Unit 3, Lessons 1 – 4                               |                         |
| <ul> <li>a. Measurement systems (for example: metric, household,<br/>roman numerals, military time)</li> </ul>   | Unit 2, Lesson 1                                    | B - Medium              |
| b. Basic algebra   |   |                         |
| 2. Calculate the quantities of prescriptions or medication orders to   | A & B - Module: Medical Mathematics                 | A & B – High            |
| be dispensed.  | Unit 3, Lessons 1 – 4                               |                         |
| Supporting Knowledge   | Unit 2, Lesson 1                                    |                         |
| a. Measurement systems (for example: metric, household,  |   |                         |
| Roman numerals, military time)   | C – F – Not Covered                                 |                         |
| b. Basic algebra   |   |                         |
| c. mEq   | G – Module: Medical Mathematics                     | G – High                |
| d. Units   | Unit 2, Lesson 1                                    |                         |
| e. Body surface area (BSA)   |   |                         |
| <ul> <li>f. Pediatric dosage calculations (for example: Young's rule,<br/>Clark's rule, Fried's rule)</li> </ul> | H – Module: Medical Mathematics<br>Unit 2, Lesson 1 | H – High                |
| g. mg/kg/day   |   |                         |
| h. Ratio strength  | I & J – Not Covered                                 |                         |
| i. w/w%, w/v%, v/v%  |   |                         |
| j. Dilution/concentration  | K – Module: Pharmacology                            | K – High                |
| k. Intravenous flow rate (for example: mL/hr)  | Unit 4, Lesson 3                                    |                         |
| I. Alligation  |   |                         |
|  | L – Not Covered                                     |                         |
| 3. Calculate the days' supply for prescriptions.   | Module: Medical Mathematics                         | Medium                  |
| Supporting Knowledge   | Unit 2, Lesson 1                                    |                         |
| a. Basic algebra   |   |                         |





| 4. Calculate individual and total daily dosages.   | A – Module: Medical Mathematics                        | A – High |
|--|--|----------|
| Supporting Knowledge   | Unit 2, Lesson 1                                       |          |
| a. Basic algebra   |  |          |
| b. mEq   | B – E – Not Covered                                    |          |
| c. Units   |  |          |
| d. Body surface area (BSA)   | F – Module: Medical Mathematics                        | F – High |
| <ul> <li>e. Pediatric dosage calculations (for example: Young's rule,<br/>Clark's rule, Fried's rule)</li> </ul>                           | Unit 4, Lesson 2                                       |          |
| f. mg/kg/day   | G – Module: Pharmacology                               | G – High |
| g. Intravenous flow rate (for example: mL/hr)  | Unit 4, Lesson 3                                       |          |
| 5. Perform sterile and nonsterile compounding calculations.  Supporting Knowledge  a. Measurement systems (for example: metric, household, | A – Module: Medical Mathematics<br>Unit 3, Lessons 1-4 | A – High |
| Roman numerals, military time) b. Basic algebra c. Ratio strength  | B – Module: Medical Mathematics<br>Unit 2, Lesson 1    | B – High |
| <ul><li>d. w/w%, w/v%, v/v%</li><li>e. Dilution/concentration</li><li>f. Intravenous flow rate (for example: mL/hr)</li></ul>              | C – Module: Medical Mathematics<br>Unit 2, Lesson 1    | C – High |
| g. Alligation  | D & E – Not Covered                                    |          |
|  | F – <b>Module: Pharmacology</b><br>Unit 4, Lesson 3    | F – High |
|  | G – Not Covered  |          |
| 6. Perform basic pharmacy business calculations (for example: pricing  |  | High     |
| and inventory control).  | Unit 2, Lesson 1                                       |          |
| Supporting Knowledge   | Unit 4, Lesson 1                                       |          |
| a. Basic algebra   |  |          |
| b. Types of business calculations (for example: markup,  |  |          |
| percentage markup, profit, gross and net profit, cost,   |  |          |
| overhead, turnover rate)   |  |          |





| 7. Perform temperature conversions. | Module: Medical Mathematics         | A & B – High |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------|
| Supporting Knowledge                | Unit 5, Lesson 2                    |              |
| a. Basic algebra                    |                                     |              |
| b. Temperature Scales               |                                     |              |
| 8. Calculate percentages.           | A & B - Module: Medical Mathematics | A & B – High |
| Supporting Knowledge                | Unit 2, Lesson 1                    |              |
| a. Basic algebra                    |                                     |              |
| b. Ratio strength                   | C & D – Not Covered                 |              |
| c. w/w%, w/v%, v/v%                 |                                     |              |
| d. Dilution/concentration           |                                     |              |

| Dispensing Process   |   |                         |
|--|---|-------------------------|
| D. Sterile and Nonsterile Products, Compounding,   | HealthCenter21 Location   | HealthCenter21 Coverage |
| Unit Dose, and Repackaging   |   |                         |
| Use Universal Precautions.  Supporting Knowledge     a. CDC/OSHA Universal Precautions Guidelines  | Module: Safety Precautions Unit 1, Lesson 3  Module: Infection Control Unit 2, Lesson 1 | High                    |
| 2. Employ infection control, including handwashing and personal protective equipment (PPE).  Supporting Knowledge  a. Infection control (USP <795> and <797>)  | Module: Infection Control Unit 2, Lesson 1  | High                    |
| 3. Follow correct procedures for maintaining the environment for the sterile product compounding area.  Supporting Knowledge  a. Infection control (USP <795> and <797>)  b. Maintaining sterile environment (USP <797>)                                     | Module: Infection Control Unit 2, Lesson 1 Unit 4, Lesson 1                             | High                    |
| <ul> <li>4. Select appropriate equipment and supplies.</li> <li>Supporting Knowledge <ul> <li>a. Needle gauges and types (for example: regular, filter, insulin)</li> <li>b. Types of syringes</li> <li>c. Diluents and base products</li> </ul> </li> </ul> | Module: Pharmacology Unit 4, Lessons 1 - 2  | High                    |





| 5. Perform compounding process for sterile products following                             | Not Covered              | Not Covered |
|---|--------------------------|-------------|
| aseptic technique.  |                          |             |
| Supporting Knowledge  |                          |             |
| a. Compounding sterile products following aseptic technique                               |                          |             |
| (USP <797>)   |                          |             |
| b. Primary engineering controls (for example: laminar versus                              |                          |             |
| vertical flow hood, compounding aseptic isolators versus                                  |                          |             |
| compounding aseptic containment isolators) (USP <797>)                                    |                          |             |
| 6. Performing compounding process for non-sterile products.                               | Not Covered              | Not Covered |
| Supporting Knowledge  |                          |             |
| <ul><li>a. Compounding nonsterile products (USP &lt;795&gt;)</li></ul>                    |                          |             |
| 7. Select appropriate diluent or base product based on                                    | A – Module: Pharmacology | A – High    |
| manufacturer's recommendation.  | Unit 4, Lesson 1         |             |
| Supporting Knowledge  |                          |             |
| a. Diluents and base products   | B – Not Covered          |             |
| b. Sources of information (for example: product package insert,                           |                          |             |
| electronic resources, Trissel's Handbook of Injectable Drugs)                             |                          |             |
| 8. Determine beyond-use dates based on published data or                                  | Not Covered              | Not Covered |
| regulatory agency requirements for both compounded and                                    |                          |             |
| repackaged products.  |                          |             |
| Supporting Knowledge  |                          |             |
| a. Sources of information (for example: product package insert,                           |                          |             |
| electronic resources, Trissel's Handbook of Injectable Drugs)                             |                          |             |
| b. Labeling (USP <795> and <797>)   |                          |             |
| c. Methods of determining beyond-use date   |                          |             |
| 9. Inspect final product for physical incompatibilities.                                  | Not Covered              | Not Covered |
| Supporting Knowledge  |                          |             |
| <ul> <li>Forms of incompatibility (for example: physical, chemical, osmolarity</li> </ul> |                          |             |
| 10. Label compounded products.  | Not Covered              | Not Covered |
| Supporting Knowledge  |                          |             |
| a. Labeling (USP <795> and <797>)   |                          |             |
| b. Components of a unit dose label  |                          |             |





| 11. Repackage and label unit dose products.   | Not Covered | Not Covered |
|---|-------------|-------------|
| Supporting Knowledge  |             |             |
| a. Labeling (USP <795> and <797>)   |             |             |
| b. Components of a unit dose label  |             |             |
| 12. Maintain sterile and nonsterile compounding and repackaging                                       | Not Covered | Not Covered |
| equipment.  |             |             |
| Supporting Knowledge  |             |             |
| <ul> <li>a. Compounding sterile products following aseptic technique<br/>(USP &lt;797&gt;)</li> </ul> |             |             |
| b. Equipment maintenance (USP <795> and <797>)  |             |             |
| <ul> <li>Manufacturers' guidelines for maintaining repackaging<br/>equipment</li> </ul>               |             |             |
| d. Primary engineering controls (for example: laminar versus  |             |             |
| vertical flow hood, compounding aseptic isolators versus  |             |             |
| compounding aseptic containment isolators) (USP <797>)  |             |             |
| 13. Complete required documentation for sterile, nonsterile, and                                      | Not Covered | Not Covered |
| repackaged products.  |             |             |
| Supporting Knowledge  |             |             |
| a. Documentation requirements (USP <795> and <797>)   |             |             |





| Medication Safety and Quality Assurance   | HealthCenter21 Location  | HealthCenter21 Coverage |
|---|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. Follow best practices for quality assurance and medication safety.   | A – D – Not Covered      | A – D – Not Covered     |
| Supporting Knowledge  |                          |                         |
| a. Best practices for quality assurance during entire filling   | E – Module: Pharmacology | E – High                |
| process   | Unit 3, Lesson 2         |                         |
| b. Safe dosage ranges   |                          |                         |
| <ul> <li>Institute for Safe Medication Practices (ISMP) Guidelines,<br/>including considerations for error-prone drugs</li> </ul> | F – J – Not Covered      | F – J – Not Covered     |
| d. Black box warnings   |                          |                         |
| e. Adverse drug events, including adverse drug reactions (ADEs  |                          |                         |
| and ADRs)   |                          |                         |
| f. MedWatch   |                          |                         |
| g. FDA Adverse Event Reporting System (FAERS)   |                          |                         |
| h. Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System (VAERS)   |                          |                         |
| <ol> <li>Risk Evaluation Mitigation Strategies (REMS)</li> </ol>  |                          |                         |
| j. Pregnancy and lactation warnings   |                          |                         |
| 2. Assist pharmacist in identifying patient medication adherence  | Not Covered              | Not Covered             |
| issues.   |                          |                         |
| Supporting Knowledge  |                          |                         |
| a. Medication adherence   |                          |                         |
| <ul> <li>b. Health literacy (patients' knowledge of medications and usage)</li> </ul>   |                          |                         |
| 3. Use safety strategies to prevent mix ups between look-alike,   | Not Covered              | Not Covered             |
| sound-alike products, errors with high alert/high risk medications,   | Not covered              | Not covered             |
| and medications with different routes of administration.  |                          |                         |
| Supporting Knowledge  |                          |                         |
| a. Institute for Safe Medication Practices (ISMP) Guidelines,   |                          |                         |
| including considerations for error-prone drugs  |                          |                         |
| b. Look-alike/sound-alike drugs   |                          |                         |
| c. Tall Man lettering   |                          |                         |
| d. High-alert/high-risk medications   |                          |                         |
| e. Error-prone medications  |                          |                         |
| f. Error-prone abbreviations  |                          |                         |





| 4. Match patient information to prescription or medication order.  Supporting Knowledge | Not Covered | Not Covered   |
|---|-------------|---------------|
| <ul> <li>Best practices for quality assurance during entire filling process</li> </ul>  |             |               |
| 5. Follow procedures to assure delivery of the correct prescriptions                    | Not Covered | Not Covered   |
| to patients.  | 1.00        | 1.00 00 10.00 |
| Supporting Knowledge  |             |               |
| a. Best practices for quality assurance during entire filling                           |             |               |
| process   |             |               |
| 6. Take corrective action after detecting potential medication errors                   | Not Covered | Not Covered   |
| or near misses.   |             |               |
| Supporting Knowledge  |             |               |
| Record-keeping requirements related to medication errors     and near misses            |             |               |
| b. Continuous quality improvement   |             |               |
| c. Root cause analysis  |             |               |
| 7. Maintain a clean work environment in the drug dispensing and                         | Not Covered | Not Covered   |
| patient care areas.   | Not covered | Not covered   |
| Supporting Knowledge  |             |               |
| a. Best practices for quality assurance during entire filling                           |             |               |
| process   |             |               |
| b. Procedures to avoid cross-contamination  |             |               |
| c. Sanitization processes   |             |               |
| 8. Perform quality assurance checks of floor stock (for example:                        | Not Covered | Not Covered   |
| credits, unsecured medication, expired or outdated medications,                         |             |               |
| emergency medications).   |             |               |
| Supporting Knowledge  |             |               |
| a. Best practices for quality assurance during entire filling                           |             |               |
| process   |             |               |
| b. Continuous quality improvement   |             |               |





# 5. Additional Resources for NHA CPhT Exam Prep

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