

Medicines use in care homes: Course 3 e-learning



The third of our e-learning packages for care homes, builds on the content covered in the first two Medicines use in care homes courses and includes six modules focusing on key topics, in addition to two case studies that will help apply learning to practice.



The course is designed for all care home staff and covers the use of certain 'high risk' or specialist medicines that require specific consideration and/or administration techniques.



Quizzes at the end of each module will test understanding and recap on key learning points, and a pass mark of 70% is required in the final assessment to complete the course and receive a certificate.

PrescQIPP is a Skills for Care Endorsed Provider and the course is also CPD accredited.

MODULE 1

Medicines and falls risk

- Potential impact and effect that medicines may have on the risk of falling
- Importance of medication review

MODULE 2

Antipsychotic medicines in dementia

- Behavioural and psychological symptoms associated with dementia
- Non-drug approaches that should be used to treat these symptoms
- The risks associated with the use of antipsychotics

MODULE 3

Administration of anticoagulants

- What anticoagulants are used for, their side effects and risks
- Different types of anticoagulants
- Monitoring requirements for people taking anticoagulants

MODULE 4

Administration of methotrexate and other cytotoxic medicines

- Procedures required for cytotoxic medicines to be administered safely
- The safe disposal of cytotoxic medicines
- Specific requirements relating to the administration of methotrexate

MODULE 5

Administration of bisphosphonates

- What bisphosphonates are used for
- Instructions regarding the administration of bisphosphonates
- Potential side effects of bisphosphonates

MODULE 6

Administration of medicines used in Parkinson's disease

- Symptoms of Parkinson's disease and how medicines can help control these
- The importance of taking Parkinson's medicines at specific times
- Practical ways to support residents with Parkinson's disease to take their medicines

Course access

This course is available for all members of our medicines management team and care home staff in our commissioning area.

You will need to be logged in to the PrescQIPP site to access the course, so that it can record your progress and issue your e-learning certificate. If you do not already have a log in for the PrescQIPP site, you can [register here](#). Please ensure that you specify the commissioning area on registration as this will ensure that you are provided with the correct access and do not have to pay for the course.

1. Log in to the [PrescQIPP site](#)
2. Click on the 'PrescQIPP e-learning' link under the 'Learning' menu, then once on the [E-learning Hub](#) click on 'Access e-learning' on the right hand side
3. Find the course and select 'Access course'

Don't forget that you can complete the course over a period of time. To return to the course and pick up where you left off at any time, simply log back into the site and follow the steps above.

Please note that you will need an up to date browser and sufficient bandwidth to view the course. If you have any questions about the course, please contact help@prescqipp.info.