

ICPA 7th Conference & Exhibition

TOPIC: CODEINE ABUSE & PAIN MANAGEMENT

Speaker: Daphne Fafudi (SAHPRA)

Codeine, a commonly used opioid for pain relief, has witnessed a surge in misuse and abuse cases across the globe. Ms. Fafudi, with her extensive expertise in pharmaceutical regulation, will shed light on the multifaceted challenges posed by codeine abuse, emphasizing its detrimental impact on individuals, families, and healthcare systems.

During her talk, Ms. Fafudi will explore innovative strategies and regulatory measures that South Africa and other nations have implemented to tackle codeine abuse while ensuring effective pain management for patients who genuinely need it. Her insights will be invaluable for healthcare professionals, policymakers, and anyone concerned about the overuse of codeine containing product and the delicate balance between pain relief and substance abuse prevention.



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Learning Outcomes:

Community Pharmacists can enhance their continued professional development by attending Daphne Fafudi's talk on "Codeine Abuse and Pain Management".

Here are three key points they can take away from the presentation:

Updated Regulatory Knowledge: Pharmacists will gain a comprehensive understanding of the latest regulatory measures related to codeine and opioid medications, within the South African context. This knowledge is crucial for compliance with evolving legal requirements, ensuring that pharmacists can play an active role in mitigating codeine abuse while still providing effective pain management solutions to patients.

Improved Patient Education: Fafudi's insights will empower pharmacists with the knowledge and tools necessary to educate patients about the proper use of codeine and other pain management options. This enhanced patient counselling can contribute to better medication adherence, reduced risk of addiction, and improved overall patient health outcomes.

Ethical Decision-Making: The talk will explore the ethical considerations surrounding codeine use and pain management. Pharmacists will learn how to navigate complex situations, balancing the need for effective pain relief with the responsibility to prevent codeine abuse. This ethical framework can guide community pharmacists in making informed and morally sound decisions when dispensing medications and counselling patients.

Conclusion

Attending this talk will not only equip pharmacists with the latest information on codeine abuse and pain management but also empower them to be proactive in safeguarding public health while providing effective care to their patients. It's a valuable opportunity for pharmacists to stay up-to-date, make informed decisions, and continue delivering high-quality pharmaceutical services.

Presentation Notes

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