

# Concordia Hospital Pharmacy Department Pharmacy Student Placement Description

## The Hospital

Concordia Hospital is a community hospital with 164 beds. Founded in 1928 and incorporated in 1931, Concordia is located in the northeast quadrant of the city and has a primary service area consisting of a population in excess of 150,000. Concordia Hospital specializes in upper and lower extremity joint replacements, joint replacement revisions and hip fractures. The Family Medicine Program provides subacute medical care for residents of northeast Winnipeg and patients transferred from the acute medical sites within the WRHA. The Urgent Care Department provides care for unexpected, but non-life-threatening health concerns that require same day treatment

Information about parking, food, bus routes, and maps can be found on the WRHA Welcome page <https://elearning.easygenerator.com/a17ec104-ce11-4cbc-83ad-7f067c588e64/#/login> . You do not need a WRHA email to create an account.

## Pharmacy Department

The Pharmacy is in the basement of the hospital, near the cafeteria. Take the elevator to the ground floor then turn right.

Pharmacists provide direct patient care to patients who require, orthopedic surgery, sub-acute medicine and neurosurgery and Urgent Care. Pharmacists use a decentralized, integrated clinical-distributive practice model to deliver care.

Pharmacy technicians and assistants aid delivery of pharmaceutical care through support of the computerized (BDM MOV), automated unit-dose (Pyxis) drug distribution system. Pharmacy technicians and assistants also support an IV service for the Community IV program and the Intravitreal program, pharmacy purchasing, ward stock, and inventory control systems.

The Concordia Hospital offers an environment that promotes personal initiative and encourages professional growth. There is ample opportunity to work directly with patients and other healthcare professionals. The pharmacy is open seven days a week, days and evenings, with a pharmacist on-call after hours.

### 1. Surgery Rotation

Pharmacists provide clinical services and drug distribution to patients on surgery wards 8 hours a day, 5 days a week. The focus is orthopedic surgery (total hip or knee replacement, orthopedic trauma, upper extremity surgery). The pharmacists also care for patients with plastic and spinal surgery. Rotations provide the opportunity to prevent, identify and resolve drug related problems in a number of clinical areas. The pharmacy student will monitor medication therapy, provide drug information, and be involved in the pharmacokinetic monitoring of various narrow therapeutic index drugs. The student will attend multi-disciplinary medical rounds. The student will also have opportunity to perform best possible medication histories, discharge teaching, and medication reconciliation. Common disease states include: pain management, delirium, prosthetic joint infections, diabetes management, HTN.

## **2. Family Medicine Rotation**

Pharmacists provide clinical services and drug distribution to patients on family medicine wards 8 hours a day, 5 days a week. The focus is to provide comprehensive patient-centered care, to ensure continuity from a patient's admission to discharge. This is accomplished by working collaboratively with physicians, nurses, dietitians and other health professionals to optimize medication therapy. There may be an opportunity to attend discharge planning rounds with other disciplines. Rotations provide the opportunity to prevent, identify and resolve drug related problems in a number of clinical areas. The pharmacy student will monitor medication therapy, provide drug information, and be involved in the pharmacokinetic monitoring of various narrow therapeutic index drugs. The student will also have opportunity to perform best possible medication histories, discharge teaching and medication reconciliation. Common disease states include: heart failure, COPD, hypertension, stroke, delirium/dementia, and infectious diseases such as pneumonia, pyelonephritis and osteomyelitis.

## **3. Urgent Care Rotation**

Pharmacists provide clinical services in Urgent Care 8 hours a day, 5 days a week. Rotations provide the pharmacy student opportunity to identify, prevent, and resolve drug-related problems in a number of clinical areas within the fast paced department. The pharmacy student will monitor medication therapy, interpret lab results, and provide drug therapy information and recommendations to the multidisciplinary team. Additionally, the student will have opportunity to perform best possible medication histories and medication reconciliations. Common entrance complaints by patients presenting to the department include but are not limited to: abdominal pain, upper/lower extremity injuries and pain, chest pain, various respiratory complaints, weakness, and neurologic conditions.