

Deer Lodge Centre Pharmacy Department

Pharmacy Student Placement Description

The Hospital

As a part of the WRHA Regional Pharmacy Program, Deer Lodge Centre Pharmacy (DLC) provides clinical and drug distribution services to 208 inpatients. Our patients range in age from 18 to over 100 years of age. Our units include:

Rehabilitation: 88 beds (post stroke, post-surgical-orthopedics, cardiac, general surgery)
Chronic care: 120 beds (neurology, dialysis, post stroke, bariatric care)

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

Stop by the reception desk at the main entrance for directions to the pharmacy. Our hours of service are from 0800 to 1800h Monday to Friday. We use Pyxis on our acute care/ rehabilitation and chronic care units and BDM pharmacy software. Pharmacy technicians and assistants perform the bulk of our drug distribution. Pharmacists are responsible for order entry, clinical services to our wards and checking a small amount of prescriptions. No IV work is performed at this site.

Inpatient Rotation

During your rotation, you will have the opportunity to:

- review medication reconciliations on admission, transfer and discharge
- conduct best possible medication histories with patients and their families
- round daily with our prescribers
- attend interdisciplinary team rounds, post admission conferences and quarterly medication reviews
- interact closely with other health care professionals and students
- do medication counselling with patients and their families
- resolve drug therapy problems including:
 - IV to PO antibiotic conversion
 - De-prescribing
 - Pain Management/Stewardship
 - Adverse drug reactions/drug interactions
 - Pharmacokinetic drug monitoring (eg vancomycin, phenytoin)