

## Medicines use in care homes 3 - High quality e-learning courses from PrescQIPP



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.

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

### Course content

- This e-learning course has six modules, two case studies and a final exam with a 70% pass mark.
- Once the course is passed a certificate of completion will be issued.

#### 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 homes staff in our commissioning area.

### How to access the course

- If you do not already have an account, register on the [PrescQIPP e-learning platform](#). Please select **Lancashire and South Cumbria Health and Care Partnership** when registering as this will ensure you're provided with the correct access.
- **You will need an access code before you can access the course. Please email [lscicb-el.adminmmt@nhs.net](mailto:lscicb-el.adminmmt@nhs.net) and on approval we will send you the required code.**
- When you have received the code proceed to Log into the [PrescQIPP e-learning platform](#)

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