

Foundation Trainee Pharmacist SJT Practice Paper Glossary Items

British National Formulary (BNF)/British National Formulary for Children (BNFC)

The BNF (and BNFC) is an independent resource which evaluates clinical evidence from diverse sources, reflecting current best practice and legal and professional guidelines relating to the uses of medicines.

Controlled Drug

Medicines that are controlled under the Misuse of Drugs legislation. The Misuse of Drugs Regulations include five schedules that classify all controlled medicines and drugs.

COPD

Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease: the name for a group of lung conditions that cause breathing difficulties.

Designated Supervisor

This is the person who has overall responsibility for a Trainee Pharmacist during their training and for signing them off as satisfactory or unsatisfactory.

Drug Chart (AKA Prescription chart, medication chart or medication administration record chart)

A paper or electronic based document that presents and communicates information between healthcare professionals providing care to patients on the administration of medicines to an individual patient.

Duty Pharmacist

A Duty Pharmacist is a senior Pharmacist that has overall accountability for the delivery of all pharmacy services and directly manages the pharmacy department staff.

Formulary

An approved list of medicines that may be prescribed for patients for specific conditions. The main aim of such formularies is to promote safe, effective and economic prescribing in both hospital and general practice.

General Pharmaceutical Council (GPhC)

The independent regulator for pharmacists, pharmacy technicians and pharmacy premises in Great Britain.

Google Translate

A free online translation tool that can be used to translate text and speech into different languages.

GP – General Practitioner

A doctor based in the community who treats patients with minor or chronic illnesses and refers those with serious conditions to a hospital.

Infection Control Policy

A policy to ensure that a hospital trust provides an environment and system of care which minimises the risk of infection to patients, staff and visitors and to ensure compliance with national policy and guidance related to infection prevention and control.

Infection Control Team (AKA Infection Prevention and Control Team)

A specialist multidisciplinary team providing practical, clinical advice to staff and service users on infection prevention and control issues. This includes implementation of preventative work such as policy, guidance and education, as well as leading on the investigation and management of infection incidents.

Junior Doctor

Qualified doctors in clinical training. Junior doctors have completed a medical degree and foundation training but continue to work under the supervision of a senior doctor.

Line Manager

A person with direct managerial responsibility for a particular employee.

Locum Pharmacist

A pharmacist employed on a contractual basis through an agency, rather than having a permanent salaried position.

Medicine Compliance Aid (MCA)

A device designed to contain individual doses of medicines in separate compartments or blisters.

Medicines Reconciliation

Medicines reconciliation, as defined by the Institute for Healthcare Improvement, is the process of identifying an accurate list of a person's current medicines and comparing them with the current list in use, recognising any discrepancies, and documenting any changes, thereby resulting in a complete list of medicines, accurately communicated.

Patient Notes

When you visit an NHS or social care service, information about you and the care you receive is recorded and stored in a health and care record which also is referred to as patient notes. This is so that people caring for you can make the best decisions about your care.

Responsible Pharmacist

In order to lawfully conduct a retail pharmacy business, a registered pharmacist must be in charge of the registered pharmacy as the responsible pharmacist.