**Worksheet # 4**

**Drug Information**

**Learning Objectives**

1. List all of the reference materials that are available in your pharmacy, classify the type of reference, explain the primary function of the reference, and identify if the reference is available electronically and/or hard copy.

2. Use Watanabe’s systematic approach to drug information in responding to drug information questions.

3. Utilize the most appropriate references in responding to drug information requests.

4. Utilize appropriate communication skills to respond to the drug information question verbally and in writing.

 **Preceptor:** Discuss this activity with the student and please sign-off in E-value that it has been completed.

**Drug Information Questions**

During your experience you will need to respond to at least **2** drug information questions. These questions can be questions from the pharmacist, prescriber, or patient.

In addition, use the Drug Information Request and Response Form below to complete each of your drug information questions. Your preceptor must review your drug information response prior to reporting your answer to the requestor.

**Drug Information Request and Response Form**

**Date of DI request:**

**Responder (name, title):**

**Demographics of requestor****(3 points):**

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| **Name:****Age:****Sex:**  | **Consumer:****Health Professional:** Pharmacist **⁫**Physician **⁫**Nurse **⁫**Other **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** | **Contact Information:****Phone#:** **e-mail:** |
| **Initial question from the requestor** (2 pts): |
| **Background information / questions (**10 pts, information to ask or would like answered before searching): |
| **Ultimate question to answer** (5 pts, if background questions cannot be asked or answered, use the initial question here) |
| **Question classification(s)** (5 pts, circle the most appropriate)

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| Adverse drug reaction | Drug interaction | Compatibility | Dosage or regimen |
| Drugs in lactation | Formulation | Indication | Identification |
| Pediatrics | Pharmacology | Pharmaceutics  | Pharmacokinetics |
| Stability | Teratogenicity | Therapeutics | Toxicology |
| Nonprescription drugs | Complementary and alternative medicine | Cost  | Geriatrics  |
| Other (must exclude any of the above categories): |

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| **Search strategy** (20 pts: List in the order of your search and type(s) of literature based on the classification above; mark its usefulness (+ = useful, - = not useful)): |
| **Analysis & evaluation of the information** (35 pts: Cite, analyze, and critically evaluate pertinent literature/reference found in the previous section):  |
| **Response:** (20 points:Write an accurate response and draw appropriate conclusions from the literature evaluation, based on the patient, the requestor, or both).  |