Pharmacy-Based Immunization Delivery Program

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

We are excited to offer the APhA Pharmacy Based Immunization Delivery Program virtually! Pharmacists have been integral as the healthcare community continues to navigate the COVID-19 pandemic response. With the development of a vaccine on the horizon, pharmacists have an opportunity to lead in the provision of this pandemic vaccine to the communities we serve daily. It is our hope by offering the training certificate program virtually, we will be able to train and empower pharmacists to assist in filling the vital need for our patients. Please see below for more information about the program.

This program will be delivered via live webinar using Zoom. In order for participants to successfully complete the “Live Session” portion of the program and receive an attendance code, the participant must be present for the entire duration of the program. We strongly participants utilize the video the functionality to enhance the online experience and increase engagement. There will be small group patient cases, and it would be helpful to “see” your group.

PRICING
$375

LOCATION
Offered Virtually

QUESTIONS
For all other questions, please contact Tiffany Hatcher, Pharm.D. at hatchert@duq.edu.

MORE INFORMATION & REGISTRATION
duq.edu/certificate-programs

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Due to the virtual nature of the program, participants will be required to obtain necessary supplies and identify an “evaluator” in order to complete the injection technique assessment.

- Requirements to serve as the evaluator:
  - Your evaluator can be anyone who has the current scope of practice to immunize (e.g., a trained pharmacist, a nurse, etc.).
  - Must assess based on the technique taught in class
  - Must have had OSHA training for bloodborne pathogens within the last year
  - Learners cannot assess themselves or fellow learners
  - Your evaluator must observe you successfully give another adult person two intramuscular and one subcutaneous injection and complete the Injection Technique Assessment Form (instructions and form will be provided)

You will need to acquire the assessment supplies on your own which include the following:

- Gloves (minimum 1 pair)
- 1 mL or 3 mL x 25G x 1-inch safety syringes for intramuscular injections (minimum 2)
- 1 mL or 3 mL x 25G x 5/8-inch safety syringes for subcutaneous injections (minimum 1)
- Bandaids (minimum 3)
- Alcohol swabs (minimum 4)
- Cotton balls or gauze pads (minimum 3)
- Sodium chloride 0.9%, single dose vial, 10 mL or smaller (minimum 1)
- Access to sharps container
- Screening questions worksheet – provided in materials
- Influenza Vaccine Information Statement (VIS) – provided in materials

Upon successfully completing the injection technique assessment, an attendance code will be provided from instructor. We look forward to providing this program to pharmacists using innovative technology.

There are currently over 300,000 pharmacists providing immunizations to patients. We are excited for the opportunity for you to join them.

For more information on Zoom technology requirements and functionality, please see links below:

https://zoom.us/about
https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/categories/200101697
https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/201362023-System-requirements-for-Windows-macOS-and-Linux
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3UB7j2JDWyw

Participants will receive further communication and details after registration. We look forward to working with you!

THE CERTIFICATE TRAINING PROGRAM IS CONDUCTED IN THREE PARTS:

- 12-hour (1.2 CEU) self-study modules with case studies and assessment exam
- 8.0 hour (0.80 CEU) live seminar with final exam
- Hands-on assessment of intramuscular and subcutaneous injection technique.
GOALS OF THIS PRACTICE-BASED PROGRAM:

Educate pharmacists about:

- The impact of vaccines on public health.
- Pharmacists’ roles in immunization.
- Immunologic principles of vaccine development and immunizations.
- Vaccine-preventable diseases and the vaccines used to prevent them.
- Strategies for improving immunization rates.
- Requirements for pharmacists who provide immunization services.

Prepare pharmacists to:

- Read an immunization schedule and identify appropriate vaccines for individuals across the life span and with special needs.
- Educate patients about the benefits of vaccines and dispel myths about vaccines.
- Safely administer vaccines to patients via subcutaneous, intramuscular, intranasal, and intradermal routes.
- Operate an immunization service in compliance with legal and regulatory standards.
- Partner with immunization stakeholders to promote immunizations and the immunization neighborhood.

Direct pharmacists to resources necessary to:

- Promote public health through immunizations.
- Access regularly updated information about vaccines and their use.
- Effectively communicate with patients and other stakeholders about resources.
- Operate an immunization service in compliance with legal and regulatory standards.

SELF-STUDY MODULES AND LEARNING OBJECTIVES

The self-study learning activity is designed to ensure that all participants have an understanding of vaccine-preventable diseases and the role of pharmacists as vaccine advocates and administrators. There are five learning modules that present in-depth information on immunology, practice implementation, and legal and regulatory issues as noted below, with appropriate references to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) resource publication, *Epidemiology and Prevention of Vaccine-Preventable Disease*. The self-study program includes a self-assessment test and real-life case studies that are designed to help reinforce and evaluate participants’ understanding of key information and concepts.