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STARZ-DRP as a prospective instrument to counsel the cancer patients in community pharmacy settings

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Community Pharmacists (CPs) are an absence of an instrument to maneuver CPs to provide extended services, paying particular attention to consult the cancer patients. For that reason, it is necessary to instigate a well-defined instrument for the on-going practice and STARZ-DRP is chosen as a structured and systematic approach to help out CPs to perform that piece of work. STARZ-DRP emerges from the pharmaceutical care concept and has involved in an earlier study to examine its feasibility to put into the authentic operation. Interestingly, it is noted that the approach is potential to maneuver CPs to make an accurate triage action plan as well as identify a wide range of Drug-Related Problems (DRPs). Such course of action is potential to integrate General Practitioners (GPs), nurses and CPs to work hand-to-hand for the benefits of the patients, particularly preventing and resolving DRPs. In addition, the instrument is potential to eliminate CPs' lack of self-confidence and competent, knowledge, skills as well as the language barrier noted among the health-care practitioners. For that reason, it is necessary to ensure the instrument is brought forward to attention as a prospective instrument to counsel the cancer patients and establish a collaboration working relationship among the health-care practitioners.

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