

2. CHEMOTHERAPY

Objective: When using chemotherapeutic drugs, procedures are in place that protect the safety of team members and the public.

Chemotherapeutics or antineoplastic drugs can be hazardous and can potentially result in specific health effects in workers.

Suitable separate facilities must be provided for safe storage and use of these drugs. The facility must have a protocol for control and accountability of chemotherapeutics and disposal of unused drugs, chemicals, biologics and contaminated equipment.

The most common chemotherapy drugs used in cancer treatment are:

- Carboplatin
- Cyclophosphamide
- Doxorubicin
- L-asparaginase
- Lomustine
- Vincristine

Requirements						
		YES	NO	N/A		
1.	The practice has a written protocol for proper transport, storage, administration and disposal of chemotherapeutic agents.					
2.	Hazardous drugs are prepared or administered only by trained team members in designated areas that have access limited to authorized personnel.					
3.	Appropriate personal protection equipment is available.					
4.	When necessary, a proper containment device is available for drug preparation.					
5.	Procedures to manage hazardous spills are documented.					
6.	Clients are provided with written instructions about home care following chemotherapy.					
7.	Store and transport hazardous drugs in closed containers that minimize the risk of breakage.					

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Requirements						
	YES	NO	N/A			
Medical records must include a copy of the treatment protocol being followed.						
Notes Section: Do you have a written protocol for the use of chemotherapeutic agents at your facility? Explain how your facility meets the requirements.						

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