Workshop on Medication & Safety

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Medication Safety Awareness

- Promoting Safe Medication Practices for All
- Ajara Hospitals, Warangal
- Presented by: [Your Name]
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Introduction

- Medication safety is a shared responsibility.

- Ensures better outcomes and prevents harm.

- Involves everyone: doctors, nurses, pharmacists, support staff, and patients.

Why Medication Safety Matters

- 1 in 10 hospital patients experiences medication errors.

- Errors can lead to adverse drug events (ADEs), hospitalization, or worse.

- Most errors are preventable.

Common Causes of Medication Errors

- Look-alike/sound-alike drugs

- Wrong dose or route

- Poor communication

- Illegible handwriting

- Inadequate patient education

Role of Doctors

- Write legible prescriptions

- Confirm allergies and history

- Use evidence-based guidelines

- Collaborate with pharmacists

Role of Nurses

- Follow '5 Rights':
- 1. Right patient
- 2. Right drug
- 3. Right dose
- 4. Right route
- 5. Right time
- Double-check high-risk meds
- Report and document errors

Role of Pharmacists

- Verify prescriptions

- Educate patients and staff

- Monitor drug interactions

- Stock and label medications properly

Role of Paramedical Staff

- Assist with proper storage

- Help in patient counseling

- Ensure sterile preparation

- Support error reporting

Role of Patients

- Know your medications

- Ask questions

- Report side effects

- Carry a medication list

Best Practices for Medication Safety

- Use electronic prescriptions

- Regular training and audits

- Encourage open communication

- Implement safety checklists

WHO's 3rd Global Patient Safety Challenge

- "Medication Without Harm"

- Goal: reduce severe avoidable medication-related harm by 50% over 5 years

- Focus on transitions of care, polypharmacy, high-risk situations

Case Study / Example

- Brief real-world example of an error and how it was prevented (customize if you have a local example)

Conclusion

- Medication safety is everyone's responsibility

- Communication, education, and vigilance are key

- Let's work together to make Ajara Hospitals a model of medication safety

Q&A

- Invite questions
- Encourage discussion and shared experiences

For Questions

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