

Community Care Division

The Community Care Division is comprised of faculty members that serve as Pharmacist-In-Charge at our Lubbock and Amarillo pharmacy learning laboratories as well as practitioners with affiliations at independent pharmacies in Amarillo and the DFW Metroplex. Community Care Division members contribute significantly to the development and delivery of the early experiential courses, skills laboratory courses, and the community clerkships. Since 2002, the TTUHSC School of Pharmacy has operated clinic pharmacies and used these business units as advanced teaching laboratories for pharmacy students and residents.

Our mission is to contribute to the health and well-being of the communities we serve through a patient-centered practice of pharmacy. We strive to optimize patient self-care practices and to remain a vital part of the health care delivery system by promoting the safe and effective use of medications.

Focus areas include implementation of and acquiring reimbursement for community-based cognitive programs, such as telepharmacy services, immunization delivery and Medication Therapy Management Services (MTMS).

Division Goals for 2005 -2007

1. Recruit a community division faculty member for the Abilene campus.
(TTUHSC Strategic Plan Goals I, IV, and V)
2. Develop a collaborative research opportunity among team members at all campuses.
(TTUHSC Strategic Plan Goal II)
3. Secure reimbursement for MTM services, immunization administration, disease risk assessment/screenings, and other patient care services.
(TTUHSC Strategic Plan Goals III and V)
4. Implement a PGY-1 Community Care Residency in Amarillo and Lubbock. Obtain APhA-ASHP accreditation in 2007. Successfully recruit residents for 2007-2008.
(TTUHSC Strategic Plan Goals I and IV)
5. Improve patient safety by developing and implementing a medication incident policy and a peer review committee.
(TTUHSC Strategic Plan Goals III and V)
6. Evaluate the feasibility of expanding the TECH CARxE program to the Lubbock pharmacy.
(TTUHSC Strategic Plan Goal III)
7. Implement and fully operationalize the Rx30 system at both TTUHSC pharmacies labs in order to improve inventory management and quality improvement reports.
(TTUHSC Strategic Plan Goals I and VI)