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The geriatric pharmacist: An integrated part of geriatric team

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The purpose of the pharmacist on the geriatric ward is improving patient care through drug therapy. He contributes to patient care with drug history, in planning with the physician, a patient's drug therapy including the selection of drugs, the dosage forms and frequency of use based upon the physician's diagnosis. The pharmacist contributes to medical students and residents training giving the pharmacist unique view on drug therapy. He participates in teaching sessions and medical rounds. The pharmacist is a member of the multidisciplinary team. In team meetings, he helps with patient orientation by giving his professional opinion on patient ability in managing his drug therapy, drug efficacy and safety issues when necessary.

Biography

Patrick Viet-Quoc Nguyen has graduated with a Pharmacy Baccalaureate degree and a Master in advance Pharmacotherapy at the Montreal University pharmacy faculty in Canada in 2003 and 2012 respectively. He has obtained an executive MBA from the Fundesem Business School in Spain in 2008. Since 2013, he is a hospital Pharmacist specialized in the geriatrics and emergency field at the Centre Hospitalier de l'Université de Montreal (CHUM). He is a Researcher at the CHUM research centre. Since 2016, he is a Member of the Quebec network for research on aging. He has over 10 publications and teaches at the Montreal University.

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