

First Aid Requirements for Pharmacists Flowchart

Community Pharmacists and those working with patients in the Community in clinical roles e.g. MTA Pharmacists

Entry to Pharmacy Profession

Full first aid certificate (equivalent to NZQA standards 6400, 6401 and 6402)- NZRC Level 2, required for entry into profession or under certain Return to Practice Pharmacist criteria levels or Overseas Pharmacists categories.

Return to practice in domain O1

Pharmacist not practicing in competence standard domain O1 for example those in PHO or DHB management

Pharmacist may elect to maintain a level of first aid competence appropriate to the requirements of their practice or community requirements

Pharmacist engaged in health management with direct patient contact – domain O1

CPR refresher every three years is minimum requirement

If CPR refresher not done within any 3 year period a new first aid certificate will be required

CPR expired

A higher level of first aid competency may be required for scope of practice or in response to community needs- eg remote practice setting or medical emergency training

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Pharmacist Vaccinator

NZRC Level 4 (CORE Immediate Adult and Child) – refresher every 2 years

NOTE- Pharmacists who are designated workplace first aid providers must comply with the Ministry of Business Innovation and Employment requirements for first aid