

Improving therapeutic adherence



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400.000Community
Pharmacists

160.000 Pharmacies

46 million citizens visit a pharmacy every day









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9,5 billion

prescription-only medicine packs are dispensed in Europe each year







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deaths each year are due to adverse drug reactions







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Rising to the Challenge: Supporting Sustainable Health Systems



Pharmacy has transformed from a focus on medicines to also include patient care and services



Largest spend is on pharmaceuticals and NCDs

It is imperative to improve quality of care quality and health outcomes











Best Practice Examples

Medication Review (Type II)



Available in a pharmacy in 16 European countries

Aims:

- Improve patients' understanding of their medicines
- Highlight side effects and propose solutions where appropriate
- Improve adherence and
- Reduce wastage







New Medicine Service



Available in a pharmacy in 8 European countries

- Provides support for people with long-term conditions with a newly prescribed medicine
- Aims to improve adherence and patient outcomes upon commencement,
 as patients most likely to discontinue treatment in first month or two
- National target groups (e.g. high risk medicines / patients) are normally agreed in order to guide the selection of patients



Disease Management Programmes



Aim to provide holistic and personalised care to individuals with certain chronic conditions:

Diabetes: 15 countries

Asthma: 13 countries

Hypertension: 11 countries







Concluding Remarks



Pharmacy services achieve the 'triple aim' of:

- 1. Higher quality of care
- 2. Better health outcomes
- 3. Lower costs



THANK YOU!



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