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HEPMA UPDATE

What is HEPMA?

HEPMA is Hospital Electronic Prescribing and Medicines Administration. This is a new digital system that will replace the paper drug chart (kardex) for inpatient areas across NHSGGC.

Doctors and other prescribers will use HEPMA to prescribe medicines for inpatients.

Nurses will use HEPMA to carry out drug rounds and record the administration of medicines to patients.

HEPMA will link with TrakCare for patient demographics and movements.

The WellSky HEPMA system is already in use in several other NHS Boards in Scotland.

What are the benefits?

- More accurate, legible prescriptions
- Clinical decision support: interactions, allergies
- No more re-writing kardexes
- Save time during drug rounds
- Richer information about use of medicines
- Optimised use of medicines
- More consistent medicines practice

LearnPro training modules

- The following HEPMA training modules are available on LearnPro:
 - Nursing
 - o Prescribers
 - Read-only access
- Nurses, doctors and other prescribers must complete the relevant LearnPro module before they can use HEPMA
- The training modules should take around 30 minutes to complete
- LearnPro link: https://nhs.learnprouk.com/
- More details on HEPMA training modules available on StaffNet

HEPMA "play" environment

- A HEPMA "play" environment is available for prescribers to practice a number of HEPMA functions:
 - Prescribing
 - Recording allergies
 - o Medicines reconciliation
 - Sending a patient on short term leave
- More details on how to access and use the play environment are available on StaffNet

It's essential that doctors and nurses complete their HEPMA eLearning on LearnPro before their area goes live

If you have questions or suggestions please contact the HEPMA team:

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