

Report on Awareness Program on “Medication Errors & Its Prevention”

The Regional Training Centre for South Zone- PvPI, Department of Clinical Pharmacy, JSS Medical College & Hospital, Mysuru in association with Department of Nursing, JSS Hospital, Mysuru conducted an awareness program on ‘Medication Errors and Its Prevention’ for the nurses from various Clinical Departments of JSS Hospital held at Nursing class room located at 4th Floor, JSS Hospital, Mysuru on the following dates in the month of April 2025.

Sl. No.	Date of Training	Objective Title of Training	Participants Type (Doctors/ Pharmacists/ Nurses/ Other HCPs)	No. of Participants	Type of Training (CME/ Advance level/ Seminar/ others)
1	4 th April 2025	Medication Errors & Its Prevention	Nurses from various Clinical Departments of JSS Hospital, Mysuru.	103	Awareness Program
2	15 th April 2025	Medication Errors & Its Prevention	Nurses from various Clinical Departments of JSS Hospital, Mysuru.	88	Awareness Program
3	23 rd April 2025	Medication Errors & Its Prevention	Nurses from various Clinical Departments of JSS Hospital, Mysuru.	82	Awareness Program

Ms. Mrithika S, Junior Pharmacovigilance Associate, Adverse Drug Reaction Monitoring Centre (AMC), JSS Medical College & Hospital, Mysuru conducted the awareness programs. The program aimed to educate the participants on the various types of medication errors, that includes prescription, dispensing, administration, and documentation errors.

Also, the session emphasized on the causes behind medication errors such as human factors, systemic issues, and environmental factors. The nursing staff was introduced to the **Five Rights** of medication administration, **the right patient, right medication, right dose, right route, and right time**, as essential guidelines for minimizing errors.



Ms. Mrithika S during the awareness program

The program focused on all types of medication errors especially administration errors and documentation errors as that were observed as common causes of medication errors in nursing practice. Emphasis was placed on ensuring accurate medication administration, proper documentation practices, and clear communication during the medication use process. Nurses were educated on best practices including double-checking of medications, verifying patient identities, and maintaining accurate records to avoid mistakes. The significance of timely and complete documentation was underscored as an essential step in preventing medication errors and ensuring patient safety.



Nursing staff during the awareness program

At the end of the session, there was a clear demonstration of increased awareness and knowledge regarding medication error prevention among the participants. Nurses reported a renewed commitment to applying safe medication practices and utilizing available tools to avoid medication errors. The program was highly successful in fostering a culture of patient safety, and such programs are imperative to maintain high standards of care and ensure the prevention of medication errors in future practice.
