Innovative Pharmacy Delivered  
Patient Care Services-  
Indian Health Service  

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Multiple Levels of IHS Pharmacy Services

- Standard Pharmacy operations
- Disease State Management Specialists
- Pharmacist Clinicians (PhC)

Standard Pharmacy Services

- IHS Pharmacists have full access to EHR for clinical review of orders-labs, diagnoses, notes, etc
- Most have lab authority, ability to extend chronic medications by up to 1 month, perform renal dosing adjustment and administer adult immunizations
- Pharmacists also have opportunity for in-depth disease state counseling, documentation, referrals (GPRA) and documentation in the EHR
Disease State Management Specialists

- Chronic disease consults to pharmacists through CPAs for long term collaborative management of disease and health
- Prescriptive, lab, procedure, referral, physical assessment, and limited diagnostic authority
- Patients required to follow up with PCP at least annually
- DM, HTN, Lipid, HF, Coag, Asthma, Neurology, Hep C, Smoking Cessation, Pain Mgmt

Pharmacist Clinicians (PhC)

- Training and credentialing procedure started in 1970s in IHS
- 6 month training program with differential diagnosis and physical assessment
- Credentialed on med staff and operate as mid-level providers with diagnostic and prescriptive privileges
- Operate as licensed independent practitioners in New Mexico and reimbursed provider rate by Medicaid

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