



Pharmacy Month 2025: “Think health, think pharmacy - one profession, many roles

During Pharmacy Month at Life Wilgers Hospital, we honoured the vital role pharmacists play in the healthcare system. With the theme “Think Health, Think Pharmacy - One Profession, Many Roles,” we highlighted the diverse contributions of pharmacists in ensuring the well-being of individuals and communities.

Pharmacists are more than just medication dispensers; they are healthcare professionals who provide expert advice, support, and care to patients. From dispensing medications to offering health screenings and consultations, pharmacists are integral to the healthcare team.

The Many Roles of Pharmacists briefly summarised:

- **Patient Care:** Pharmacists work closely with patients to understand their medication regimens, provide counselling, and monitor their health.
- **Healthcare Advocates:** Pharmacists advocate for patients’ needs, ensuring they receive the best possible care and support.
- **Medication Experts:** Pharmacists are skilled in medication management, providing guidance on safe and effective use.
- **Community Leaders:** Pharmacists play a vital role in promoting public health initiatives and health awareness campaigns.
- **Innovators:** Pharmacists contribute to the development of new medications, therapies, and healthcare solutions.

At Life Wilgers Hospital we believe that empowering patients will enhance their health.

By recognising the value of pharmacists, we can work together to create a healthier society. As healthcare evolves, pharmacists are poised to take on even more critical roles, from managing chronic conditions to providing point-of-care testing.

As we conclude Pharmacy Month 2025, let’s continue to “Think Health, Think Pharmacy” and acknowledge the many roles pharmacists play in keeping our communities healthy and thriving.

Pharmacy Month Life Wilgers Hospital

• Week 1

Theme: “BOK” Friday

Kicking off Pharmacy Month with a bang. During the first week we celebrated the unsung heroes of the pharmacy team – The stock controllers, store assistants, invoice clerks and porters.

They’re the backbone of our operations, ensuring that our Pharmacy runs smoothly and efficiently. From managing stock to delivering medications, they’re the ones who keep our pharmacy moving.

In addition, we launched our Pharmacy Month “Passport”:

Nursing staff were encouraged to participate in this fun initiative. During the month of September they had to complete 6 tasks:

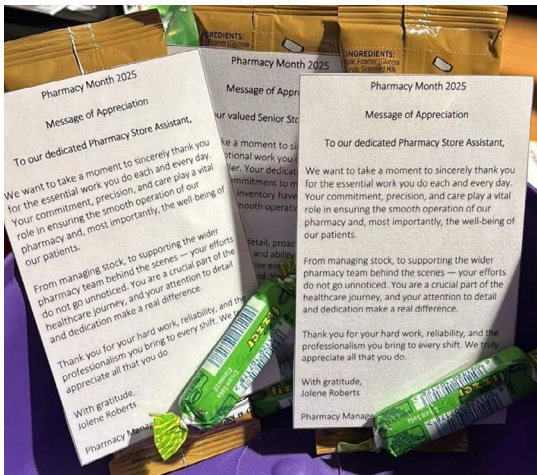
- Write a letter of appreciation or a thank you to a pharmacy staff member
- Complete the calculation quiz
- Take a picture with a pharmacy staff member
- Complete the pharmacy word search
- Complete the pharmacy quiz
- Ask a pharmacist or pharmacist’s assistant a medication related question that you have
- Each week the different individuals received a message of appreciation bookmark showcasing their hard work and dedication.

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COLLECT STAMPS AT THE PHARMACY WHEN YOU COMPLETE EACH TASK.

Write a letter of appreciation or a thank you to a Pharmacy staff member	Complete the calculation quiz	Take a picture with a Pharmacy Staff member
Complete the Pharmacy Word Search	Complete the Pharmacy quiz	Ask a Pharmacist/ Pharmacist Assistant a medication related question that you have

Name & Surname:
Ward:



Week 2
Theme: "Rainbow Nation"

During the second week we shined the spotlight on our amazing interns and pharmacist's assistants. As part of our "Think Health, Think Pharmacy – One Profession, Many Roles" theme, we celebrated the diverse roles that make our pharmacy tick.



Our theme was "Rainbow Nation", and we embraced the colours and vibrancy of our team.

- In addition, the wards were challenged to create a Slogan to describe Pharmacy.
- IPC also assisted with an awareness table discussing Standard Precautions where staff members and the public were able to interact and ask those important questions.
- The winners of the Slogan competition were announced and awarded with Lunch: *Slogan: "Compassion in every dose, care in every moment"*

Week 3
Theme: "Superheroes"

During the third week we shined the spotlight on the incredible diversity of roles within our profession. From retail to hospital and clinical pharmacy, our superheroes are dedicated to delivering exceptional patient care and promoting health and wellness in their communities.

The Pharmacy Superheroes include:

Retail pharmacists: *The Community Champion*

Dispensing more than just medication, retail pharmacists are trusted advisors, providing personalised health advice and support to patients every day.

Hospital pharmacists: *The Medication Mastermind*

Working behind the scenes, hospital pharmacists ensure the safe and effective use of medications, optimising patient outcomes and saving lives.

Clinical pharmacists: *The Patient Advocate*

Clinical pharmacists are the ultimate patient advocates, using their expertise to tailor medication regimens and improve health outcomes.



In addition, we also arranged for the Dispensary staff to have an outreach to the Oncology Pharmacy on the premises. Our outreach was enlightening and we learned about the vital contributions pharmacists make in cancer care.

This visit also highlighted the importance of interdisciplinary collaboration in patient care.

• **Week 4**
Theme: “Celebrating our Roots, Honouring our Future”

For the Pharmacy Month finale we celebrated our Pharmacy Manager with a special shout out video of appreciation from the staff.

The Pharmacy Manager is the driving force behind:

- **Operational Excellence** – Ensuring seamless pharmacy operations.
- **Team Leadership** – Guiding pharmacists and pharmacist’s assistants to deliver exceptional patient care.
- **Strategic Innovation** – Driving growth, efficiency, and patient-centred services.

We celebrated the dedication, expertise, and leadership of our Pharmacy Manager in shaping the future of healthcare.



At the heart of it all, pharmacists are dedicated healthcare professionals who wear many hats. Whether in retail, hospital, or clinical settings, our superheroes are united in their commitment to delivering exceptional patient care and promoting health and wellness.

