

Toxicology audit

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Background: Toxicology cases come under medico legal system. Hence toxicology audit becomes mandatory. Toxicology audit is a retrospective evaluation of quality of service provided from the point of Professionals, patients and caregivers, Payers, Planners and Policy makers. **Objectives:** To present the toxicological audit system which is followed in our centre. **Methods:** Records of patients whoever treated and discharged (including death) for the previous month were called for and reviewed by residents and faculty involved in toxicology care using a structured proforma. In addition, details collected from patients and supportive services were analyzed. A committee was formed under Professor of Medicine and Toxicology in which Professor of Laboratory medicine, Biochemistry, Pharmacology, Medical jurisprudence (Forensic Medicine), Medicine, Pediatrics, Psychiatry, Nursing and Pharmacy were included. Faculty members, residents and nursing personnel were allowed to participate and interact with each other. **Results :** Data collected were classified under “6 Ds” viz., Direction of health care workers, deficiencies, Drugs, Devices, Documents and Developmental issues. **Conclusion:** Toxicology audit helps to :Improve the services, Strengthen the documentation system, Enhance interpersonal relationship with patients and co professionals ,Explain the needs to the planners, Maintain the supply of drugs and other requirements, Reduce the system errors and create the confidence among those involved in the programme.