

Lecture 6.

**FREE AND PREFERENTIAL  
RELEASE OF MEDICINES IN THE  
SOCIAL SECURITY SYSTEM**

3rd year 5th semester

## **Free and privileged supply of medicines in the social security system**

The program of provision of necessary medicines is aimed at making more and better medical care to the population, expensive medicines are available. The program combines the activities of such structures:

- Authorities,
- medical organizations,
- Drug manufacturers,
- pharmaceutical warehouses,
- Pharmacies.

The state shall provide citizens with health protection regardless of sex, race, age, nationality, language, presence of diseases, conditions, origin, property and official status, place of residence, attitude toward religion, beliefs, membership of public associations and other circumstances. All citizens are guaranteed the opportunity to receive necessary medical care, and if they cannot afford to pay for such care, the system of social assistance is included. Social assistance includes the provision of necessary medicines, medical devices, free travel to the place of treatment and back, and the provision of sanatorium and spa treatment.

## **People eligible for benefits are:**

1. participants of the Great Patriotic War;
2. persons awarded the insignia "Resident of Blockaded Leningrad";
3. persons with disabilities due to their health condition;
4. children with disabilities for health reasons.
5. patients with the following diseases: hemophilia, oncohematology, cystic fibrosis, conditions after organ and tissue transplants, multiple sclerosis and Gaucher disease.

When a paper prescription is drawn up on **prescription form N 148-1/u-04 (I)**, two copies shall be drawn up, one of which shall remain with the pharmacy, the other - with the patient's medical records.

**The pharmacy organization shall perform the following functions:**

1. participates together with the medical organization in drawing up a request for necessary medicines to provide certain categories of citizens;
2. performs services for the dispensing of medicines;
3. ensures preservation of the quality of medicinal products in storage;
4. maintains personalized records of prescriptions and dispensed medicines and generates reports.

Pharmacy organization for participation in the system of drug supply to persons entitled to benefits must have a workplace that meets technical requirements. The workplace must be provided with a computer, printer and Internet. There must be a dedicated e-mail address. The computer must have a program installed, which allows for automated personalized accounting of prescription drugs dispensed. The pharmacy must have a separate room for the isolated storage of medications received for prescriptions free of charge.

The pharmacist will fill a **tear-off prescription stub** for the patient during dispensing. The prescription tear-off stub shall indicate the name of the medication, the dosage, the duration and method of administration, the number of times per day, and the dose per administration. The stub shall be given to the patient along with the dispensed medication.