

CHALLENGES OF THE APPLICATION OF PHARMACY ACCREDITATION STANDARDS IN MINISTRY OF HEALTH HOSPITALS

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The concept and culture of quality in health care is growing in ministry of health hospitals and nearly sixteen governmental hospitals are participating in hospitals accreditation champion supervised by health care accreditation council(HCAC) the national agency for accreditation of health care facilities.

Cluster five in the Jordanian national accreditation standards is concerned with medication use and pharmacy services standards.

This cluster defines standards for medication use processes.

1. Acquisition
2. Storage
3. Prescribing, transcribing, and ordering
4. Dispensing
5. Administration
6. Monitoring for effects (therapeutic and adverse)
7. Medication error identification and reporting

These standards need for their implementation and making them met a big effort, and facing some challenges. This lecture summarizes the challenges, and the changes that must be done to make the medication use and pharmacy services standards met, also focuses on the experience of some hospital with the application of accreditation standards.