



Trainee & Program Details

Training Program

Clinical Pharmacology –
Advanced Training 2026

Training Program Phase *

Specialty Foundation Phase

Date of Observation *

31/03/2026

Observation Capture Details

Observation Capture Type *

Patient case management

Summary of Activity *

Alessa reviewed an inpatient referred for elevated INR (6.2) while on warfarin following initiation of fluconazole for oral candidiasis. With supervisor guidance, she identified the pharmacokinetic interaction between fluconazole and warfarin, assessed bleeding risk, and contributed to a management plan including temporary warfarin cessation and low-dose vitamin K reversal. Alessa discussed the plan with the treating team and counselled the patient regarding the medication interaction, with the supervisor present throughout.

Complexity *

2 - Medium

Primary Learning Goal *

5: Clinical assessment and management

Learning Goal Components

Select the learning goal components observed during the Observation Capture.

Name	Observed	
identify and access sources of relevant information about patients	Yes	No
obtain patient histories, including comprehensive medication histories	Yes	No
examine patients	Yes	No
synthesise findings to develop provisional and differential diagnoses	Yes	No
discuss findings with patients	Yes	No
generate management plans	Yes	No
present findings to other health professionals	Yes	No

Trainee Reflection

The section below is to be filled in by the Trainee

What did you do well? *

I was able to take a thorough medication history and identify that fluconazole had been recently started, which prompted me to consider a drug interaction as the cause of the INR elevation. I communicated with the patient in a way that I felt was clear and empathetic, explaining why their warfarin needed to be paused. I also presented the case to the treating team with support from my supervisor, which I found challenging but valuable. I felt more comfortable with the pharmacological reasoning than with the documentation and communication components.

What could you improve next time? *

I needed significant guidance on the appropriate vitamin K dose and the threshold for reversal at this INR level. I will focus on developing a documentation habit that captures the full clinical rationale for management decisions, including follow-up monitoring plans, at the time of the consultation. I will also aim to proactively identify and contact relevant services as a standard part of my discharge planning checklist, so that coordination happens routinely rather than as an afterthought.

Assessor Feedback

The below section is to be filled in by the Assessor

How much supervision did the trainee require during this activity?

2 – The trainee was able to act with direct supervision

What did the trainee do well? *

Alessa showed a good instinct in identifying the temporal relationship between fluconazole initiation and INR elevation, and appropriately considered a drug interaction as the primary cause. Medication history was thorough and communication with the patient was clear and appropriately reassuring given the circumstances. Presenting the case to the treating team at this stage of training showed initiative, and she responded well to real-time feedback during the presentation. This is a solid foundation-phase performance.

What could the trainee improve upon to improve their performance? *

Alessa required direct guidance on vitamin K dosing and reversal thresholds, which is expected at this stage but should be an area of focused reading going forward. Documentation in the EMR needs to be more structured. Management decisions should include explicit rationale, the criteria used, and a clear follow-up monitoring plan. She should also develop the habit of proactively liaising with the pharmacist and anticoagulation clinic as part of safe discharge planning. We will work on these documentation and coordination skills together in upcoming consults.