

PTC

(PHARMACY and THERAPUTIC COMMITTEE)

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# Definition

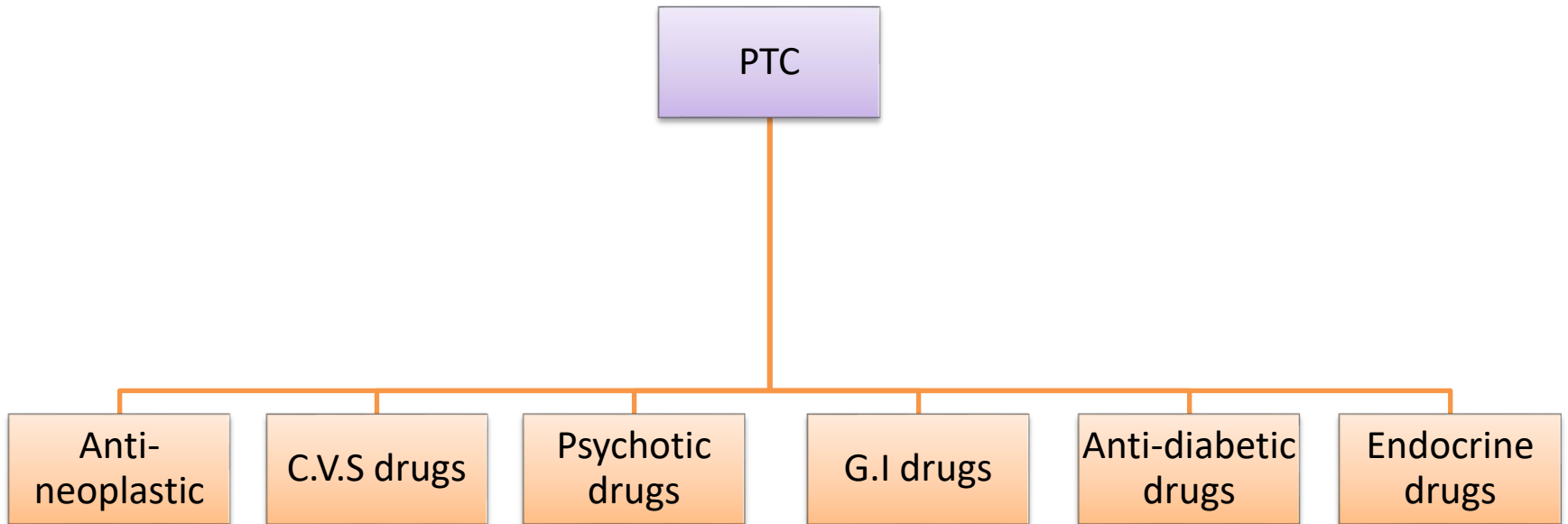
- The pharmacy and therapeutic committee is a policy framing and recommending body to the medical staff and the administration of hospital on matters related to therapeutic use of drugs



# Composition of PTC

- The PTC consist of
  1. At least 3 physicians
  2. 1 nursing staff
  3. 1 Pharmacist (secretary)
  4. Hospital administrator (chairman)

# Sub committees under PTC



# Objectives of PTC

- The prime objectives of PTC are
  1. Advisory
  2. Educational
  3. Drug safety and adverse drug monitoring

**Advisory:** The committee recommends the adoption of policies or assists in the formulation of broad professional policies regarding evaluation, selection and therapeutic use of drugs in the hospital

**Educational:** The committee recommends or assists in the formulation of functions, designed to meet the needs of professional staff like the physicians, nurses, pharmacist and other health care practitioners, for the complete current knowledge of the matter related to the drugs and their use

**Drug safety and adverse drug monitoring:** This function is assigned to or taken up by the PTC and it should be continuous scheme of exerting vigilance

# Functions of PTC

- To give advice to medical staff and hospital administration related to use of drugs
- To give advice to medical staff and the pharmacist in selection of drug that is most effective
- To design programs and procedures to ensure cost effective therapy
- To design suitable educational programmes for professional staff
- To review ADR
- To advise pharmacy in procedure for effective drug distribution and control procedures
- To evaluate periodically the medical records in terms of drug treatments



# Operation of PTC

- The committee should meet at least 6 times a year
- The committee can invite its meetings person within or outside the hospital
- The agenda of meeting consist of
  - a. Minutes of previous meetings
  - b. Review of contents of hospital formulary for updating
  - c. Information about new drugs which have become commercially available
  - d. Review and adoption of drugs under investigation
  - e. Review of side effects, ADR, toxic effects reported in hospital
  - f. “ Drug safety” in the hospital