

FEEDBACK SCENARIO 1 – SUPERVISOR TRAINING WORKSHOP – SUPERVISED PHYSICIAN ROLE

You, **the supervised physician**, are a 40-year-old man from China, formerly a surgeon, trying to enter practice in family medicine in Canada. It has been a very difficult adjustment for you to start over after spending years as a prominent surgeon in your home country. However, you want very much to return to practice as a physician. You find the system very strange in Canada and you are not comfortable with the degree of personal self-disclosure in which so many others seem to indulge. You believe that it is important not to disclose lack of knowledge to a supervisor, because an admission of weakness can lead to penalties in the system under which you trained. It is better to say nothing at all - the supervisor is more likely to maintain a good opinion of you that way. You cannot afford to receive a bad evaluation - it has been a rough road just getting to this position and you do not want to jeopardize it in any way.

You have seen a patient with hypertension, which is under reasonable control. The patient is on furosemide only, which you recognize is not commonly used to treat hypertension. You have seen the patient on a couple of occasions, and their blood pressure has remained stable. The patient has been on this medication for several years, and you haven't questioned them about how they ended up on it. This seems like a straightforward situation, and you feel that you have handled it well.

Your Supervisor has reviewed this chart, and you will discuss it with him.