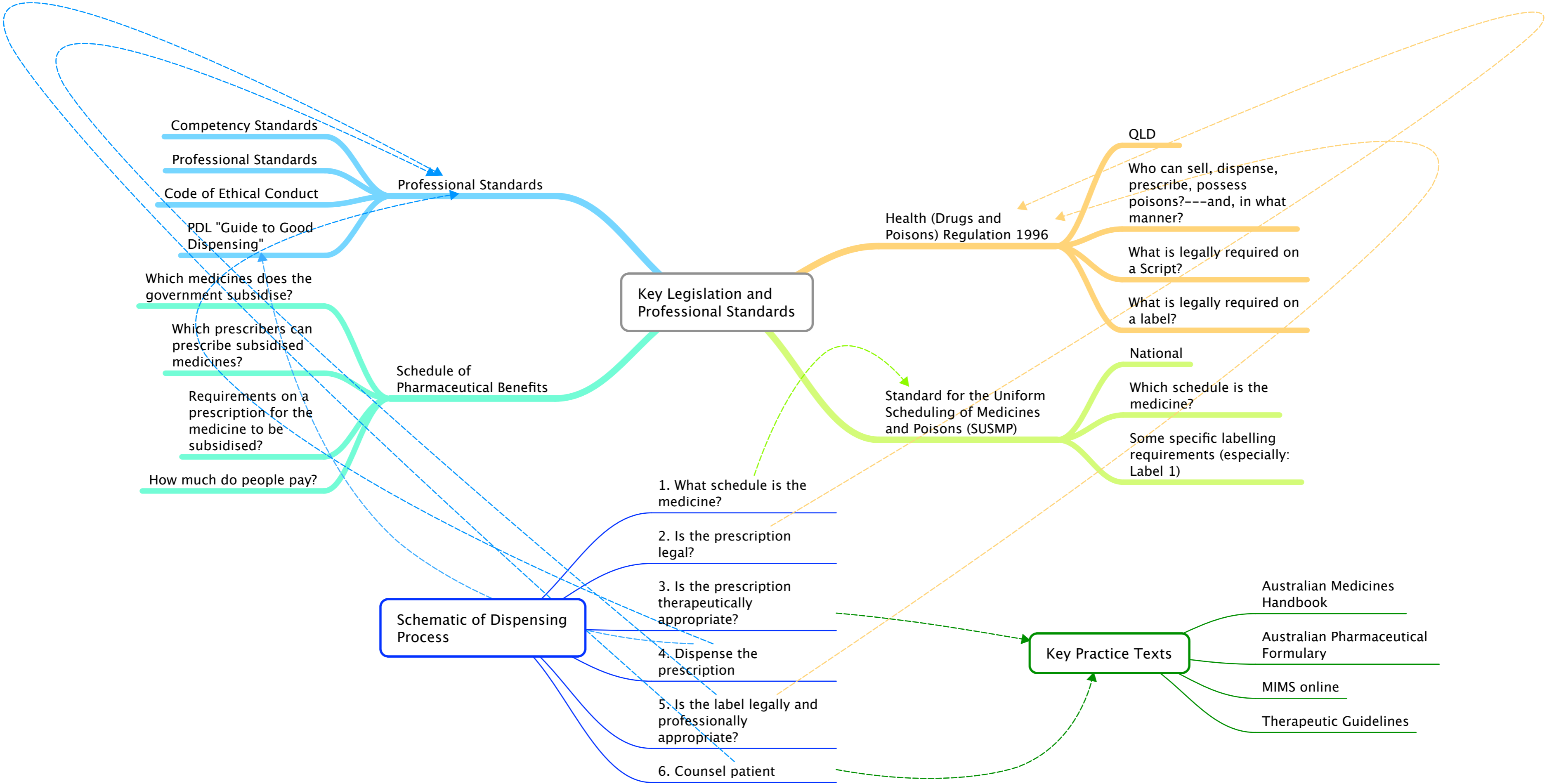


Key Legislation and Professional Standards for Dispensing



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Professional Standards

- Competency Standards
- Professional Standards
- Code of Ethical Conduct
- PDL "Guide to Good Dispensing"

Schedule of Pharmaceutical Benefits

- Which medicines does the government subsidise?
- Which prescribers can prescribe subsidised medicines?
- Requirements on a prescription for the medicine to be subsidised?
- How much do people pay?

Health (Drugs and Poisons) Regulation 1996

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- Who can sell, dispense, prescribe, possess poisons?---and, in what manner?
- What is legally required on a Script?
- What is legally required on a label?

Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons (SUSMP)

National

- Which schedule is the medicine?
- Some specific labelling requirements (especially: Label 1)

Schematic of Dispensing Process

1. What schedule is the medicine?
2. Is the prescription legal?
3. Is the prescription therapeutically appropriate?
4. Dispense the prescription
5. Is the label legally and professionally appropriate?
6. Counsel patient

Key Practice Texts

- Australian Medicines Handbook
- Australian Pharmaceutical Formulary
- MIMS online
- Therapeutic Guidelines