





Going into hospital?






Take your medicines with you

Correct information about your medicines will help your doctor choose the safest and most effective medicines for you whilst you are in hospital.

Take with you or tell your doctor about all your medicines:

-  Prescribed by GP or specialist
-  Over the counter from the pharmacy or supermarket
-  Vitamins and nutritional supplements
-  Natural or herbal remedies (complimentary or alternative medicines)

Medicines come in many forms:

-  Tablets, capsules or liquids/mixtures.
-  Patches, creams or ointments.
-  Drops or sprays for eyes, nose or ears.
-  Inhalers and puffers.
-  Injections, implants, pessaries or suppositories.



What you will be asked:

- NAME and STRENGTH of all medicines you take,
- HOW OFTEN you take them,
- If there have been any RECENT CHANGES to your medicines,
- Any ALLERGIES you may have to any medicines.

Allergies and Sensitivities

You may be allergic, sensitive or have had a bad reaction in the past to something – please tell your nurse if you have any such reactions – it is important to prevent a reaction happening again

How you can help -

- ✓ Take your medicines with you every time you go to hospital.
- ✓ Carry an up-to-date medicines list.
- ✓ Your doctor or Community Pharmacist can supply an up-to-date list on request.