



PRESCRIPTIONS AND MEDICATION

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PRESCRIPTIONS

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- Controlled Drugs
- Exemptions and Prepayment
- Private vs NHS scripts
- Over the counter (OTC) prescriptions vs Prescription only Medication (POM)
- Emergency Supply
- Review Dates

FP-10 (GREEN SCRIPT)

VALID FOR 6 MONTHS

PRESCRIPTION COST - £9.00

HAS TO BE SIGNED (LEGAL DOCUMENT)

REPEAT PRESCRIPTION ON THE RIGHT

REVIEW DATE IS FOR THE DOCTOR

REPEAT PRESCRIPTION ARE USUALLY FOR 56 DAYS

ELECTRONIC PRESCRIBING- ALMOST ALL PRESCRIPTIONS WILL END UP SENT THIS WAY

Pharmacy Stamp LLOYDS HIGH STREET - DOSETTE	Age 58y	Title, Forename, Surname & Address Mr Homer Simpson 11 Homer House Victoria Square Portishead Bristol BS20 6AQ	Date printed: 07-Oct-2019
	D.o.B. 25/03/1961		NEW COURSE
Please don't stamp over age box		NHS Number:	SIMPSON, Homer (Mr)
Number of days' treatment N.B. Ensure dose is stated			NHS Number: Unknown EMIS Number: 500007
Endorsements	Aspirin 75mg dispersible tablets One To Be Taken Each Day 56 tablet		11 Homer House, Victoria Square, Portishead, Bristol, BS20 6AQ
	* * * * *		Pharmacy: LLOYDS HIGH STREET - DOSETTE
	* * * * *		** We are unable to accept any telephone requests for medication **
	* * * * *		Request repeat medications by ticking the items required below. You can collect prescriptions in 2 working days from the surgery or 3 working days from a pharmacy
	* * * * *		** Please select: Lloyds Vic Sq / LI High St / LI Waitrose / **
	* * * * *		** Boots / West Hill / Collect from surgery **
	* * * * *		If you no longer take any of these medications please tell us or your local pharmacy.
	* * * * *		To order repeat prescriptions or book appointments online, please ask at the Reception desk.
	* * * * *		To contact a doctor when we are closed phone 111.
	* * * * *		Telephone Number: 01275 841630
	* * * * *		Website: www.pmg.org.uk
	* * * * *		Your named GP: THOMSON, Richard (Dr)
Signature of Prescriber	Date 07/10/2019		
For dispenser No. of Prescns. on form	Dr Robin Pugh Portishead Medical Group Victoria Square Portishead	834539	Aspirin 75mg dispersible tablets One To Be Taken Each Day, 56 tablet

ARMY PATIENT



CONTROLLED DRUGS

Stricter legal controls apply to controlled medicines to prevent them:

- being misused
- being obtained illegally
- causing harm

These legal controls govern how controlled medicines can be stored, produced, supplied & prescribed

Examples include morphine and methadone

Scripts have to be signed for and are issued for 28 days only

Cannot be put in a dosette box

FREE PRESCRIPTIONS EXEMPTIONS AND PREPAYMENT CERTIFICATES

- Entitled to Free Prescriptions-
 - <16 or <19 in full time education > 60
 - Pregnant and for a year after delivery
 - Medical Exemption Certificate
 - Certain Benefits
- Prescription Pre-Payment Certificates
 - Online application worthwhile if have more than 3 prescription in a 3 month period
 - £29.10 for 3 months
 - £104 for 12 months (or 10 DD of £10.40)

PRIVATE PRESCRIPTIONS

OTC & POM MEDICATION

- Some drugs are not available as an NHS prescription but may be prescribed on a private script. This include malaria drugs and drugs for hair loss etc.
 - There is a charge to issue a Private Prescription
 - The Pharmacist will charge a dispensing fee as well as the cost of any medication
 - The final cost may or may not be cheaper than an NHS prescription
 - A doctor cannot issue a private script in place of an NHS script to save the patient money (historically we did this- it could now be considered fraud)
- Over the Counter Medication (OTC) – medication that does not need a prescription- may or may not be cheaper than a prescription- strong push my NHS England for patients to purchase these without a script. Some can only be issued by a registered pharmacist, other freely available in many places
- Prescription only Medication (POM)- Needs a registered clinician to issue a legal prescription (NHS or Private) for the pharmacist to issue



EMERGENCY SUPPLY OF MEDICATION

- You have run out of medication or forgotten to pack it. What can you do?
 - Does it matter– it depends- there are hardly any medications that cannot be missed for one day, discuss with a pharmacist
 - and ...The pharmacist can issue up to a 30 day emergency supply of previously issued medication (at their discretion)
 - Contact your own GP who can send an Electronic Prescription to any registered Pharmacy in the country if needed.



REVIEW DATES ON PRESCRIPTIONS – A MUTUAL PROMPT

- They are for the doctor as an aide memoir to check that appropriate tests have been done on at least a yearly basis for the medication being issues. (Remember by issuing a prescription we are taking responsibility for it)
- They may also act as a reminder to the patient that they need ongoing testing related either to the medial condition they have or the medication they are on

Amiodarone 6 monthly review	Use profile in ICE
Antipsychotics Annual Review (risperidone, olanzapine, quetiapine, aripiprazole)	Electrolytes, LFT, FBC, HbA1c, HDL + total chol
*Azathioprine Weekly for 6 weeks, then monthly for 3 months. If stable at 6 months, then 3 monthly.	FBC, E's, LFT
Denosumab 2 week before infusion	Vit D, Calcium
Lithium Before Starting	Electrolytes, FBC, TSH, Calcium (12 hours after last dose – please add time to ICE)
Lithium Weekly (until stabilised)	Lithium level (12 hours after last dose – please add time to ICE)
Lithium 3 monthly (once stabilised)	Lithium level (12 hours after last dose – please add time to ICE)
Lithium 6 monthly	Electrolytes, TSH, Lithium level, Bone profile (12 hours after last dose – please add time to ICE)
Lithium Annually	Electrolytes, LFT, FBC, TSH, Lithium level, Bone profile (12 hours after last dose – please add time to ICE)
*Methotrexate, Azathioprine, Leflunomide, Mycophenolate 2 weekly for first 6 weeks, then monthly for 3 months then 3 monthly:	FBC, E's, LFT (weight and BP –if on leflunomide)
MGUS 3-4 monthly (Monoclonal gammopathy of undetermined significance) Reduce to 6-12 monthly after 1 year if no disease progression	Electrolytes, FBC, Immunoglobulin, M Protein
NOAC (no CKD) Annually (apixaban, dagibatran, edoxaban, rivaroxaban)	E's, FBC, LFT,
NOAC (plus CKD 3) (apixaban, dabigatran, edoxaban, rivaroxaban)	Electrolytes 6 monthly LFT, FBC annually
NOAC (plus CKD 4/5) (apixaban, dabigatran, edoxaban, rivaroxaban)	Electrolytes 3 monthly LFT, FBC annually
Sodium Valproate Before therapy then 6 monthly for 1yr then annually	FBC, LFT
Statins At 3 and 12 months after starting treatment only.	At 3m cholesterol and LFT. At 12m LFT only. No further monitoring required.
*Sulphasalazine Every 2w for 6w then monthly for 3 months, then 3 monthly. Can stop at 1 year if stable	FBC, E's, LFT