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NYSCHP PTCE Review: Medications II

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Objectives

- Discuss medications with narrow therapeutic indexes
- Summarize storage considerations
- List common medication indications

Narrow Therapeutic Index

 Medications where small differences in dose or blood concentration may lead to serious therapeutic failures <u>or adverse drug reactions</u>



NTI Medication	Indication
Carbamazepine Phenytoin Fosphenytoin Phenobarbital Valproic acid Lithium Clozapine	Seizures, bipolar disorder
Digoxin	Atrial fibrillation Congestive heart failure
Warfarin Heparin	Thrombosis
Methotrexate	Rheumatoid arthritis/cancer
Levothyroxine	Hypothyroidism
Vancomycin Aminoglycosides	Bacterial infections
Amphotericin	Fungal infection
Amiodarone	Arrythmia
Theophylline	Asthma/COPD

Medication Storage

- Storage in recommended temperature zone to prevent physical and chemical changes
 - Alterations to taste, appearance, smell
 - Drug precipitation, decomposition, combustion
- Additional considerations include light and moisture sensitivity

Room Temperature	Refrigerator	Freezer
20-25 centigrade	2 to 8 centigrade	-25 to -10 centigrade
68 to 77 Fahrenheit	36 to 46 Fahrenheit	-13 to 14 Fahrenheit

Beyond-Use Dating vs. Stability

 Beyond-use date (BUD): date at which a compounded sterile product should no longer be transported or stored for a patient

Risk	Room Temperature	Refrigerator	Freezer
Low-risk (ISO 5 environment with no more than 3 products)	48H	14D	45D
Medium-risk (made with > 3 products)	30H	9D	45D
High-risk (made with non-sterile ingredients)	24H	3D	45D

 Stability: extent to which a preparation retains the same properties and characteristics it possessed at the time of compounding

Drug Interactions

 Concomitant use of two or more medications leading to a desirable or adverse effect

Interaction	Effect
Statins and grapefruit juice	Grapefruit juice contains furanocoumarins that decrease statin metabolism, increasing risk of side effects such as muscle pains and aches
Multivalent ions and tetracyclines or fluoroquinolones or levothyroxine or bisphosphonates	Calcium, magnesium, iron bind to select drugs and decrease effectiveness
Nitrates and PDE5 inhibitors	Increased risk of severe hypotension
ACE inhibitors and potassium	Increased risk of hyperkalemia with K-elevating drugs or potassium supplements
Macrolides, amiodarone, SSRIs, fluoroquinolones, quinine, antipsychotics	Increased risked for QTc prolongation leading to fatal arrythmias

Drug Resources

Lexicomp





Pharmacologic Category

AmLODIPine (Lexi-Drugs) Monograph Adult Patient Education Images Outline Expand All Lexi-Drugs Pronunciation Pronunciation AmLODIPine > Brand Names 07/14/21 Pharmacologic Amlodipine and Atorvastatin (am LOE di peen) Category 07/06/21 Brand Names: US > Dosages Amlodipine and Benazepril Katerzia; Norvasc 07/02/21 Uses Amlodipine and Celecoxib Brand Names: Canada Class and Related 07/02/21 ACH-Amlodipine; ACT AmLODIPine; AG-AmLODIPine; A Monographs AmLODIPine; DOM-AmLODIPine; GD-AmLODIPine [DS Amlodipine and Olmesartan Clinical Practice AmLODIPine; MINT-AmLODIPine; MYLAN-AmLODIPine 07/02/21 Guidelines PHARMA-AmLODIPine; PMS-AmLODIPine; Priva-AmLO Amlodipine and Valsartan SANDOZ AmLODIPine; SANDOZ-AmLODIPine; Septa-A Administration and 07/02/21 AmLODIPine; VAN-AmLODIPine [DSC] Storage Issues Amlodipine, Valsartan, and Hydrochlorothiazide Medication Patient Pharmacologic Category 07/02/21 Education with Antianginal Agent; Antihypertensive; Calcium Channel Clevidipine HCAHPS Dihydropyridine Considerations 06/30/21

Search Results for Pharmacologic category is "Calcium Channel Blocker"

Common Indications (Self-Study)

Antidepressants

Tricyclic Antidepressants	Monoamine Oxidase Inhibitors	Selective Serotonin Reuptake Inhibitors	Selective Norepinephrine Reuptake Inhibitors	Miscellaneous
Amitriptyline (Elavil) Clomipramine (Anafranil) Desipramine (Norpramin) Doxepin (Sinequan) Imipramine (Tofranil) Nortirptyline (Pamelor)	Isocarboxazid (Marplan) Phenelzine (Nardil) Tranylcypromine (Parnate)	Citalopram (Celexa) Fluoxetine (Prozac) Fluvoxamine Paroxetine (Paxil) Sertraline (Zoloft)	Desvenlafaxine (Pristiq) Duloxetine (Cymbalta) Levomilnacipran (Fetzima) Venlafaxine (Effexor)	Buproprion (Wellbutrin) Mirtazapine (Remeron) Nefazodone (Serzone) Trazodone (Desyrel) Vilazodone (Viibryd) Vortioxetine (Trintellix)

Oral/Inhaled Corticosteroids

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Medications	Available Dosage Forms	Comments
Oral corticosteroids		
Prednisone	Solution, intensol, tablets	Bitter taste
Methylprednisolone (Medrol, Solu-Medrol)	Injection, long-acting injection, tablets, dosepak	
Prednisolone (Orapred)	Solution, orally disintegrating tablets, tablets	
Inhaled corticosteroids		
Beclomethasone (QVAR)	BAI	
Budesonide (Pulmicort)	DPI, nebulizer solution	
Ciclesonide (Alvesco)	MDI	
Flunisolide (Aerospan)	MDI	
Mometasone (Asmanex, Asmanex HFA)	DPI, MDI	
Fluticasone Furoate (Arnuity Ellipta)	DPI	
Fluticasone propionate (Flovent HFA, Flovent Diskus)	MDI, DPI	

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Diuretics

Classifications and Medications	Available Dosage Forms	
Thiazide diuretics (suffix-diazide)		
Chlorothiazide (Diuril)	Injection, suspension, tablets	
Hydrochlorothiazide (Microzide)	Capsules, tablets	
Metolazone (Zaroxolyn)	Tablets	
Loop diuretics		
Bumetanide (Bumex)	Injection, tablets	
Ethacrynic acid (Edecrin)	Injection, tablets	
Furosemide (Lasix)	Injection, solution, tablets	
Torsemide (Demadex)	Injection, tablets	
Potassium-sparing diuretics		
Eplerenone (Inspra)	Tablets	
Spironolactone (Aldactone)	Tablets	
Triamterene (Dyrenium)	Capsules	
Combination agents		
Aliskiren/HCTZ (Tekturna HCT)	Tablets	
Triamterene/HCTZ (Dyazide, Maxzide)	Tablets, capsules	
Spironolactone/HCTZ (Aldactazide)	Tablets	

HCT/HCTZ = hydrochlorothiazide.

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Insulins

Insulin Type	Onset of Action	Duration of Action
Rapid-acting		·
Aspart (NovoLOG)	15 min	3–4 hr
Glulisine (Apidra)	15 min	3-4 hr
Lispro (AdmeLOG, HumaLOG, HumaLOG Jr, HumaLOG U 200)	15 min	3–4 hr
Short-acting		
Regular (HumuLIN R, HumuLIN R U-500, NovoLIN R, Afrezza)	30-60 min	4-6 hr
Intermediate-acting		
NPH (HumuLIN N, NovoLIN N)	2-4 hr	12–18 hr
Long-acting (basal)		
Detemir (Levemir)	3-4 hr	16-20 hr
Glargine (Basaglar, Lantus, Toujeo)	2-4 hr	24 hr
Degludec (Tresiba, Tresiba U-200)	1 hr	24 hr
Insulin combinations		
Aspart Protamine and Aspart (NovoLOG 70/30)	10-20 min	18-24 hr
Lispro Protamine and Lispro (HumaLOG 50/50, HumaLOG 75/25)	15-30 min	14-24 hr
NPH and Regular (HumuLIN 70/30, NovoLIN 70/30)	30 min	18-24 hr
Long-acting insulin and GLP-1 combinations		
Degludec and Liraglutide (Xultophy)	1 hr	24 hr
Glargine and Lixisenatide (Soliqua)	2-4 hr	24 hr

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Federal Requirements (12.5%)

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Federal Requirement Review:

- 2.1 Federal Requirements for handling and disposal of non-hazardous, hazardous, and pharmaceutical substance and waste
- 2.2 Federal Requirements for controlled substance prescriptions (i.e new, refill, transfer) and DEA controlled substance schedules
- 2.3 Federal Requirements (e.g DEA, FDA) for controlled substance (i.e receiving, storing, ordering, labeling, reverse distribution, take-back programs and loss or theft of)
- 2.4 Federal requirements for restricted drug programs and related medication processing (e.g. pseudoephedrine, Risk Evaluation and Mitigation Strategies [REMS])
- 2.5 FDA recall requirements (e.g., medications, devices, supplies, supplements, classifications)

Safe Handling and Disposal

- Main areas to focus:
 - Hazardous Materials
 - Non-Hazardous Materials
 - Pharmaceutical Substances
 - Controlled Substances

Hazardous Materials

- Hazardous materials: any chemical or drug that poses potential harm to the person preparing or coming in contact with it.
- Regulatory Body: Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA): protects employees who work with hazardous materials.
 - Requirements for Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) [ie: gloves, gown, goggles, masks, hair covers, etc].
 - Procedures for dealing with different types of hazardous substances [Hazardous class 1,2,3]
- References: Safety Data Sheets (SDS)- outline appropriate handling, storage requirements, and cleanup procedures for the hazardous product:
 - Handling: Hazardous materials and chemicals should be stored separately from other materials
 - Storage Requirements: materials stored in a negative pressure room. During transport, these type of material are stored in a leakproof container or sealed bag clearly labeled "hazardous drug waste".
 - Clean up procedures: Accidental exposure:
 - Equipment: eyewash station, shower, sinks
 - Spill kits
 - Event reporting

Non-Hazardous Materials

- Non-Hazardous Materials do not have the same level of attention as Hazardous drugs, BUT they can have potential harm to the environment if not disposed of correctly
 - P or U listed drugs
 - Antibitotics

Pharmaceutical Substances

- Pharmaceutical Substance is any substance used for therapeutic treatment. Or
- Medications or the ingredients used to make:
 - Hazardous vs Non-Hazardous
- Expired medications can be sent back to manufacturer for reverse distribution
- Equipment disposal: Vaccines, syringe, and needles disposed of in sharps container

Controlled Substances

- Controlled Substances: are medications that carry a high risk for abuse and misuse.
- Regulatory Body: Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA)
- Storage Conditions: designated area, such as vault or locked cabinet, certain controlled medications are segregated to maintain:
 - Accurate Inventory
 - Potential for diversion
 - Unethical practices
- Tracking Movement: the DEA regulates all movements and ensures that the process is traceable for proper handling and minimize any potential for diversion or unethical practices.
 - Manufacture to Pharmacy
 - Pharmacy to Patient

Schedules of Controlled Substances (C)

Schedule:	1	Ш	Ш	IV	V
Abuse Potential:	Extremely High	High	Moderate	Low	Minimal
Description:	No accepted medicinal use in the US	Severe psychological and/or physical dependence	Risk for dependence	Risk for dependence	 Risk for dependence Contains limited amount of narcotics
Examples:	HeroinCocaine	OxycodoneAdderall	 Ketamine Suboxone 	AlprazolamZolpidem	 Codeine- containing cough syrups (Robitussin AC Pregabalin

C:II Filling Restrictions

Schedule:	II
Prescribed	 -Electronically -Handwritten on a secure prescription Faxes only acceptable for hospice or long-term care Phone (Verbal): limited to 72- hour supply (Depending on jurisdiction). Must be followed up an electronic or hard copy.
Expiration date /Restrictions:	 State regulations typically w/in 90 days of the written date Federal regulations do not suggest a specific time limit
Refills:	NO!
Partial Fills:	 -If a pt insurance has specific qty limits or pt doesn't want to fill the entire qty: remainder balance is forfeited and CAN NOT be refilled -Hospice pt are eligible to partially fill in increments and such rx's expire in 60 days from written date.
Transfers:	NO!

C: III-V Filling Restrictions

Schedule:	III-V
Prescribed	 Electronic Handwritten Faxed Phone
Expiration date /Restrictions:	- 6 months from the date written and a limited of 90- day supply max per fill
Refills: (Yes/No)	Yes!Limited to a max of 5 refills or 6 months
Transfers: (Yes/No)	 Yes! Between pharmacies 1 time only, unless pharmacies share an online, real- time database.

FYI When Filling Controlled Substances

- Refills:
 - Controlled substance cannot be filled early! At most, 1-2 days may be acceptable.
- Transfers:
 - All transfers must be between 2 pharmacists
 - After transfer, the prescription should be voided by the original pharmacy after transfer and a notation that it is a transferred prescription should be written by the current pharmacy
 - C III-V:
 - Indicated by law for refill purposes only! Not initial fills (non transferable)
 - Information needed for transfer:
 - Original prescription date and dispensing date
 - Number of refills remaining
 - The name of the transferring pharmacist
 - The DEA #, Name, and address of the transferring pharmacy

Receiving Control Substance Shipments

C- II	C III-V
 RPh on duty must verify each item and document the date each was received on copy 3 of the original order form that accompanies the order Copy 3 of each order form must be maintained in the pharmacy for at least 2 years 	- No special requirements

Storing Controlled Substances

СІІ	C III-V
 Must be kept under lock and key and in their own designated vault or cabinet Vault or cabinet must be equipped with a proper locking mechanism in addition to having multiple cameras positions on it at all times 	 Dispersed throughout a pharmacy's non- control medication inventory or in their own area of the locked vault. Cameras must be positioned on these medications as well.

Ordering Controlled Substances

CII

- Must be ordered on a DEA 222 form
- DEA 222 form is specific to schedule II drugs, must be completed in triplicate , and can be handwritten or typed:
 - Top Copy: for the supplier
 - Middle Copy: sent to the DEA
 - Bottom Copy: sent back to the purchaser
- DEA 222 valid only for 60 days once filled out
- Max of 10 different medication on 1 form, signed by RPh who is registered with the DEA (or)
- A Controlled Substance Ordering System (CSOS) can be used in place of a DEA 222 form for ordering C II's.
- Pharmacy must meet specific electronic requirements to ensure digital security when using the CSOS. Largely replaced paper DEA 222 due to convenience and ease of use.
- 10/2019: DEA has ruled in favor of a single copy DEA 222 form to replace previous triplicate format. (triplicate will be obsolete soon)

Alternative Facts - Controlled Substance :

- Part of filling Controlled Substance is developing an eye for unethical practices:
 - Quantity and Day supply limitations: it is vital to know how to calculate a prescriptions days supply!!
 - Alterations:
 - CII- Can NOT be altered! Even with a confirmation from practitioners, it isn't allowed!
 - Expiration date
 - DEA Verification
- Remember: pharmacies must follow both federal and state laws. In events, when federal and state laws conflict, the stricter of the two must be followed!

DEA Verification

- DEA #'s consists of two letters followed by 7 numbers
- The first letter identifies the type of DEA registrant and the second letter is the first letter of the prescribers last name
- To verify, follow the following steps:
 - (+) 1st, 3rd, and 5th #'s together [ODD's] = Sum 1
 - (+) 2nd, 4th, and 6th #'s together [EVENS's] (x) 2 = Sum 2
 - (+) Sum 1 and Sum 2= Grand Sum
 - The second digit of the Grand Sum is the same as the last digit of the prescriber's DEA #

The Food and Drug Administration

- FDA:
 - Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is responsible for regulating the safety and efficacy of medical devices drugs, and biologics
 - Responsible for approval of all medication before it can be put on the market
 - Regulates the manufacturing. Labeling dispensing and post-market surveillance

FDA- Black Box Warning

- Black Box Warning: warning aim to alert healthcare providers and consumers of serious potential adverse effects or life-threatening risk
- Example of Black Box Warning Drugs:
 - Opioid analgesics: contain a black box warning alerting the products high risk of abuse, misuse and addiction in addition to the potential for life threatening respiratory depression

FDA Labeling Requirements

- Pharmacy labeling of a Controlled Substances must be compliant with the following federal regulations:
 - Fill Date
 - Pharmacy name and address
 - Prescription#
 - Patient name
 - Prescribing practitioner
 - Drug name, strength, dosage form, quantity, and number of fills (if CIII-V)
 - Direction for use and any applicable cautionary verbiage
- The FDA requires that the following warning must be present on the label: "Caution: Federal law prohibits the transfer of this drug to any person other than the patient for whom it was prescribed."

Dispensing Controlled Substances

- A prescription is only valid and can be dispensed if it is written for a legitimate medical purpose under the usual scope of practice of the prescribing practitioner.
- Medication must be legally dispensed to the patient or a member of their household
- There is no federal quantity limit on controlled prescriptions, state law depending on jurisdiction typically limits CII dispensing to a 30-day supply and CIII-V to a 90-day supply.
Reverse Distribution- DEA 41 Form

- Reverse Distribution: this occurs when a pharmacy sends outdated, unusable drug product back to the drug manufacturer or other authorized distributor for processing or disposal.
- Also, this may occur when drugs are returned by patients or the drugs are expired
- DEA 41 Form: Outdated, damaged, or unwanted controlled substances may be destroyed under the authorization of the DEA. This form is used to destroy the medications. The form must contain the following information:
 - Dates, location, and method of destruction
 - The NDC, name, strength, dosage form, and quantity of the medications being destroyed
 - Signatures of two witnesses of the destruction (should be employees

"Take Back" Programs

- Take back program: a program to safely dispose of unwanted prescriptions medications, regardless of being controlled or non-controlled.
- Occur at local police stations, university, and some hospital systems
- Beneficial as unwanted medications are voluntarily donated and disposed of correctly
- Helps with public safety to ensure unwanted medications do not end up in the wrong hands or the environment (waterways/air)

Loss and Theft- DEA 106 form

- In the event of lost or stolen CII-V medications, the DEA and local law enforcement must be notified immediately.
- RPh must then fill out a DEA 106 form that details the medications involved in the left:
 - Original form: sent to the DEA
 - Copy of form: kept by the pharmacy for pharmacy records
- Only a "significant" loss of controlled substance require DEA 106 forms. Small liquid spills or broken tablets do not need to be reported.

REMS Program

- A Risk Evaluation and Mitigation Strategy (REMS) is a drug safety program that the FDA can require for certain medications with serious safety concerns to help ensure the benefits of the medication outweigh its risks
- REMS programs are designed to reinforce medication use behaviors and actions that support the safe use of that medication.
- Currently there are 61 drugs that have REMS programs. Some Examples:
 - Alosetron
 - Ambrisentan
 - Clozapine
 - Isotretinoin (iPledge)
 - Mycophenolate
 - Opioid Analgesic REMS
 - Suboxone/Subutex
 - Thalomid
 - Zyprexa Relprevv (olanzapine)

Restricted Drug Programs

• Pseudoephedrine

- Based on the combat Methamphetamine Epidemic Act of 2005 (CMEA), restrictions are in place on Pseudoephedrine:
 - Sale: max amount that can be bought is 3.6 grams per day and 8 grams in a 30-day period based on the chemical not the tablet strength
 - Storage: kept behind the pharmacy counter to ensure compliance with documentation with the sale and theft prevention
 - Records: an electronic or written logbook must be kept detailing:
 - Personal information of the person purchasing product
 - Qty
 - Strength
 - Date of product sale
 - Time of product sale

Drug Recalls

- Pharmacies must comply with all drug and product recalls and responsible for keeping accurate records to aid in the safety of patients that might have been affected.
- Various reasons for a drug or product is recalled:
 - Problems with the dosage or form
 - Adverse reactions related to the specific medications
- RPh's needs to contact all patients who might have been affected and reconcile the need for the recall
- All recall records should be maintained similar to prescriptions

Recall Classifications

Class I	Class II	Class III
Most severe type of recall and involves medication that is likely to cause adverse effects or even death	Occurs when medication may cause temporary adverse health effects that are reversible or if there is a small risk of serious adverse effects:	Least severe and not likely to cause a patient to have adverse effects
Example: one drug is labeled as another drug	Example: J&J recall	Example: 2017 Glipizde ER tablets recalled due to failed limits for water content during stability testing.

Recall Targets

Medication	Devices	Supplies	Supplements
- Recalls protect the public from imperfect or potentially dangerous medications that are discovered after the medication reaches the US Market	- Devices can become defective or a health hazard, which would warrant a product recall	- Recalled by the FDA or voluntarily by medical supply manufactures due to faulty components	Recalled from time to tome for various health reasons
Common reasons: Product contamination Presence of impurities Product mislabeling Adverse effects	Common medical devices: Insulin pumps Glucose meters Infuse pumps Glucose test strips Cardiac Pacemakers	Common medical supplies: - Needles - Syringes - Surgical gloves - Sterile saline	 Common reasons: Contamination Presence of undeclared ingredients Super/subpotency Product mislabeling

Laws to Study and Memorize

- 1938 Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act
- 1970:
 - Occupational Safety & Health Act
 - Controlled Substances Act
 - Poison Prevention Packaging Act
- 1990: Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act
- 1996: Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act
- 2005: Combat Methamphetamine Epidemic Act

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4. Order Entry and Processing

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PTCE Content

- 21.25%
- 4.1 Procedures to compound non-sterile products
- 4.2 Formulas, calculations, ratios, proportions, alligations, conversions, Sig codes, abbreviations, medical terminology, and symbols for days supply, quantity, dose, concentration, dilutions
- 4.3 Equipment/supplies required for drug administration
- 4.4 Lot numbers, expiration dates, and National Drug Code (NDC) numbers
- 4.5 Procedures for identifying and returning dispensable, non-dispensable, and expired medications and supplies



Mixtures

Ointments

Non-Sterile Compounding Liquids

Emulsions

Suppositories

Enemas

1. Create a formula

- Products needed
- Calculations
- Amounts of ingredients required

2. Wash hands and wear PPE

3. Obtain hardware supplies needed

4. Weigh/Measure all ingredients

5. Combine ingredients

6. Documentation and labeling

Compounding Procedure

Mixtures

At least two substances

- Two liquids
- Solid and liquid
- Two solids

Active and inactive ingredients make up a **compound**

Liquid Mixture

- Magic Mouthwash
 - Lidocaine 2%, liquid antacid, diphenhydramine
 - 1:1:1 ratio

Ointments

- Topical medication preparation
- Water-in-oil mixture (w/o)
- Mixing through spatulation using geometric dilution
- Stored in tube or jar

Liquids

Solute

- Active drug
- Homogenously dispersed through solvent

Solvent

- Liquid component
- Used to administer active drug

Emulsions

- Two liquids that are **immiscible**
- Discontinuous phase dispersed throughout continuous phase
 - salad dressing



Suppositories and Enemas

<u>Suppositories</u>

- Solid formulation
- Rectal or vaginal
- Active medication suspended in base
- Hand rolling, fusion molding, compression molding

Enemas

Solution formulation



Weight/weight (w/w%)

 Grams of ingredient/100 grams of total product

Percentage Strengths

Volume/volume (v/v%)

• mL of ingredient/100 mL of total product

Weight/volume (w/v%)

• Grams of ingredient/100 mL of total product











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- $\frac{2}{50 \, ml} = 0.04 \, gm \, in \, 100 \, ml$
- 0.04% w/v

Ratios and Proportions

Ratio

- Relative value between two numbers
 - $\frac{1}{2}$

 - 1:2
 - One part to two parts
- Proportion
 - Equality of two ratios
 - a:b = c:d
 - a/b = c/d
 - a:b :: c:d

Dimensional Analysis

- Factor-Label Method
- Converts units of measure
- Conversion factor
 - Shows the numerical relationship between two numbers

$$unit given \times \frac{unit wanted}{unit given}$$

How many centimeters are in 6 inches?

• unit given $\times \frac{unit wanted}{unit given}$

1 inch = 2.54 cm

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• unit given $\times \frac{\text{unit wanted}}{\text{unit given}}$ 1 inch = 2.54 cminches $\times \frac{1 \text{ inch}}{1 \text{ inches}}$ $\frac{6 \text{ in}}{1} \times \frac{2.54 \text{ cm}}{1 \text{ in}}$ $\frac{6 \text{ in}}{1} \times \frac{2.54 \text{ cm}}{1 \text{ in}}$

How many centimeters are in 6 inches?



Conversions

1 tsp	5 mL
1 tbsp	15 mL
1 L	1000 ml
1 mL	20 drops
1 gal	4 qts
1 fl oz	29.6 mL
1 qt	2 pints
1 pint	∽473 mL
1 kg	2.2 lbs
1 gm	1000 mg
1 grain	64.8 mg
1 lb	16 oz
1 lb	∽454 gm
1 inch	2.54 cm

Alligation Method

- Calculates the proportion of two solutions of different concentrations needed to produce a final solution of a desired concentration
- L = lower strength
- H = higher strength
- P = desired product strength



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P=30%





P=30%

H=60%





P=30%

H=60%

L=25%

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	30	
25		H-P

P=30%

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L=

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60%	60		5
25% -25=5		30	
	25		H-P



P=30%

H=60%	60		5
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L=25% 30-25=5		30	
60-30=30	25		30

Number of parts of higher solution

P=30%



5 parts of 60% 30 parts of 25%

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30 + 5 = 35 total parts

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 $\frac{700 \ ml}{35 \ parts} = 20 \ ml/part$

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60 % solution	20 mL/part x 5 parts = 100 mL
25% solution	20 ml/part x 30 parts = 600 mL



Sig Codes

Frequency			
QD	Once daily		
QOD	Every other day		
QOW	Every other week		
BID	Twice daily		
TID	Three times daily		
QID	Four times daily		
Q4H*	Every 4 hours*		

Route of Administration		
РО	By mouth	
SL	Sublingual	
BUCC	Bucally	
ТОР	Topical	
SC, SUBQ	Subcutaneously	
IM	Intramuscular	
IN	Intranasal	
IV	Intravenous	
ID	Intradermal	
IT	Intrathecal	
INH	Inhale	
PR	Rectal	

Doute of Administra

Roman Numerals

- Repeated (up to 3 times), values added together
 - XX = X + X = 20
- V cannot be repeated
- Values are added when a larger number is followed by a smaller number
 - VI = 5 +1 = 6
- Values are subtracted when a smaller number is followed by a larger number
 - IV = 5 1 = 4

ss = 1/2
l or l = 1
V or v = 5
X or x =10
L or I = 50
C or c = 100
D or d = 500
M or m = 1,000

Abbreviations

Abbreviation	Meaning
Stat	Immediately
PRN	As needed
DAW	Dispense as written
AC, PC	Before meals, after meals
AAA	Apply to affected area
Amp	Ampule
Gtt	Drop
OS, OD, OU	Left eye, right eye, both eyes
AS, AD, AU	Left ear, right ear, both ears
Q	Every
UD	As directed

Abbreviation	Meaning
Oint, ung	Ointment
NPO	Nothing by mouth
D5W	Dextrose 5% in water
NS	Normal Saline
Syr	Syringe
Inj	Injection
TDS	Transdermal
ODT	Orally disintegrating tablet
MDI	Metered dose inhaler
Neb	Nebulization
ATC	Around the clock



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DRUG ADMINSTRATION

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Section 4.4 SYRINGES

- ORAL SYRINGE
- NOT FOR INJECTABLE USE



INJECTABLE SYRINGE

FOR USE
WITH
VACCINES OR
IV
PREPARATION





ORAL SOLID UNIT DOSING

RESPIRATORY SPACERS

 USED WITH INHALERS TO BREAK UP THE DRUG PARTICLES TO INCREASE ABSORPTION INTO THE LUNGS.



DIABETES SUPPLIES

• LANCETS, GLUCOMETERS, TEST STRIPS



Section 4.4

- Lot numbers
- Expiration Dating
- NDC numbers

LABELS



LOT NUMBER

- Used as identification by manufacturer for various batches.
- Very useful for drug recalls and when repacked.
- Also useful in drug inventory control

DRUG EXPIRATION DATING

• Manufacturer expiration determined by the stability of three batches of the drug.

DRUG EXPIRATION DATES

- Re-packaging of oral solid dosage forms will change the expiration date.
- Formula is ½ the manufacturer's expiration date or 6 months whichever is less.
DRUG EXPIRATION DATES

- Example:
- Using a repack date of 5/31/2021
- The expiration date on the bottle is expiring 3/30/2022...the repacked expiration date would be 5 months or 10/31/2021

NDC NUMBERS

- NDC=National drug code
- 10 or 11 digits long
- Example: 0777-3105-02 or 00777-3105-02
- Manuf-product code-package size

RETURNING MEDICATIONS

- Dispensable (unopened, good dating) can be returned for credit.
- Indispensable medications (ie: open bottles) can not be returned to wholesaler, since they are not redispensable.

RETURNING MEDICATIONS

Medications can be returned due to expiration dates, inventory control, and ordering errors.

Most wholesalers charge a restocking fee before they issue credit.

RETURN TO STOCK

- Retail prescriptions not picked up can be returned to stock. If picked up and returned, it can not be reused.
- Hospital unit dose returned can be returned to stock if the integrity of the packging is intact

REVERSE DISTRIBUTION

 Pharmacies use outside companies to return to the manufacturer and/or destroy outdated, non-dispensable products

Appendix

Medications II Self Study

Antiepileptics

Generic Name (Brand Name)	Dosage Forms	FDA-Approved Indications
Brivaracetam (Briviact)	Injection, tablets, solution	Adjunctive to partial onset seizures
Carbamazepine (Tegretol, Tegretol XR)	Capsules, suspension, tablets, extended-release	Tonic-clonic, partial onset seizures
Clobazam (Onfi)	Suspension, tablets	Adjunctive to seizures associated with Lennox-Gastaut syndrome
Clonazepam (Klonopin)	Tablets, orally disintegrating tablets, wafers	Absence, myoclonic seizures
Diazepam (Valium, Diastat)	Injection, rectal gel	Status epilepticus
Divalproex sodium (Depakote, Depakote ER)	Capsules (sprinkle), delayed- release tablets, extended-release tablets	Absence, partial onset seizures
Eslicarbazepine (Aptiom)	Tablets	Partial onset seizures
Ezogabine (Potiga)	Tablets	Partial onset seizures
Fosphenytoin (Cerebyx)	Injection	Status epilepticus, prevention and treatment of seizures during neurosurgery, short-term administration when unable to take oral phenytoin
Gabapentin (Neurontin)	Capsules, solution, tablets	Tonic-clonic, partial onset seizures
Lacosamide (Vimpat)	Tablets, injection, solution	Adjunctive to partial onset seizures
Lamotrigine (Lamictal, Lamictal XR)	Tablets, orally disintegrating tablets, extended-release tablets	Partial onset seizures, tonic-clonic seizures
Levetiracetam (Keppra)	Injection, solution, tablets, extended-release tablets	Adjunctive to partial onset, myoclonic and tonic-clonic seizures
Lorazepam (Ativan)	Injection	Status epilepticus
Oxcarbazepine (Trileptal, Oxtellar XR)	Suspension, extended-release (XR) tablets, tablets	Partial onset seizures
Perampanel (Fycompa)	Suspension, tablets	Partial onset, tonic-clonic seizures
Phenobarbital	Tablets, injection, solution	Generalized tonic-clonic, partial onset seizures
Phenytoin (Dilantin)	Extended-release capsules, chew-tabs, suspension, injection	Generalized tonic-clonic (grand mal), complex partial onset seizures, prevention and treatment during or following neurosurgery, status epilepticus (intravenous)
Pregabalin (Lyrica)	Capsules, solution	Adjunctive to partial onset
Tiagabine (Gabitril)	Tablets	Adjunctive to partial onset
Topiramate (Topamax)	Capsules (sprinkle), tablets	Adjunctive to tonic-clonic, partial onset
Valproic acid (Depakene), valproate sodium (Depacon)	Capsules, syrup, injection	Absence seizures, complex partial onset
Zonisamide (Zonegran)	Capsules	Adjunctive to partial onset seizures

Parkinson Disease

Classifications and Medications	Available Dosage Forms	
Anticholinergics		
Amantadine (Symmetrel)	Tablets, capsules, solution	
Benztropine (Cogentin)	Tablets, injection	
Trihexyphenidyl (Artane)	Tablets, sustained-release capsules	
Carbidopa/levodopa products		
Carbidopa/levodopa (Sinemet, Sinemet CR)	Tablets, ER and CR tablets	
Carbidopa/levodopa/entacapone (Stalevo)	Tablets	
MAO-B inhibitors		
Rasagiline (Azilect)	Tablets	
Selegiline (Eldepryl, Zelapar ODT, Emsam patch)	Capsules, ODT, transdermal patch	
COMT inhibitors		
Entacapone (Comtan)	Tablets	
Tolcapone (Tasmar)	Tablets	
Dopamine agonists		
Apomorphine (Apokyn)	Subcutaneous injection	
Bromocriptine (Parlodel)	Tablets, capsules	
Pramipexole (Mirapex)	Tablets, ER tablets	
Ropinirole (Requip)	Tablets, ER tablets	
Rotigotine (Neupro)	Transdermal patch	

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COMT = catechol-O-methyl transferase, CR = controlled release, ER = extended release, MAO-B = monoamine oxidase B, ODT = orally disintegrating tablet.

Alzheimer Disease

Classifications and Medications	Available Dosage Forms	
Cholinesterase inhibitors		
Donepezil (Aricept)	Tablets, orally disintegrating tablets	
Galantamine (Razadyne)	Tablets, extended-release tablets, solution	
Rivastigmine (Exelon)	Capsules, solution, patch	
N-methyl-D-aspartate (NMDA) receptor antagonists		
Memantine (Namenda)	Tablets, oral solution	
Memantine/donepezil (Namzaric)	Capsules	

Multiple Sclerosis

Medications—Generic (Brand) Names	Available Dosage Forms	Indications
First-generation agents	-	
Glatiramer acetate (Copaxone)	Sub-Q injection	To reduce the frequency of relapses in relapsing remitting MS
Interferon beta-1a (Avonex, Rebif)	IM, sub-Q injection	Treatment of relapsing forms of MS to slow disease progres- sion and prevent exacerbations
Interferon beta-1b (Betaseron)	Sub-Q injection	Treatment of relapsing forms of MS and to prevent exacerba- tions
Mitoxantrone (Novantrone)	IV infusion	To reduce neurologic disability and frequency of relapses in secondary, chronic progressive, relapsing remitting MS
Second-generation agents		
Alemtuzumab (Lemtrada)	IV infusion	To reduce relapse rate in relapsing-remitting MS
Daclizumab (Zinbryta)	Sub-Q injection	Treatment of relapsing forms of MS
Dimethyl Fumarate (Tecfidera)	Capsule	Treatment of relapsing forms of MS
Fingolimod (Gilenya)	Capsule	Treatment of relapsing forms of MS
Natalizumab (Tysabri)	IV infusion	Treatment of relapsing forms of MS to delay disease progres- sion and prevent exacerbations; used when an inadequate response or intolerance to other agents
Ocrelizumab (Ocrevus)	IV infusion	Treatment of primary progressive and relapsing MS
Teriflunomide (Aubagio)	Tablets	Treatment of relapsing forms of MS

IM = intramuscular, IV = intravenous, MS = multiple sclerosis, sub-Q = subcutaneous.

Headaches

Classifications and Medications	Available Dosage Forms
Triptans (common suffix)	
Almotriptan (Axert)	Tablets
Eletriptan (Relpax)	Tablets
Frovatriptan (Frova)	Tablets
Naratriptan (Amerge)	Tablets
Rizatriptan (Maxalt)	Tablets, orally disintegrating tablets
Sumatriptan (Imitrex)	Tablets, nasal spray, injection
Zolmitriptan (Zomig)	Tablets, orally disintegrating tablets, nasal spray

Headaches (cont)

Classifications and Medications	Available Dosage Forms	
Sumatriptan and naproxen (Treximet)	Tablets	
Butalbital-containing products		
Butalbital and acetaminophen	Tablets	
Butalbital, acetaminophen, caffeine (Fioricet, Esgic)	Tablets	
Butalbital, acetaminophen, caffeine, codeine (Fioricet with codeine)	Tablets	
Butalbital, aspirin, caffeine (Fiorinal)	Capsules, tablets	
Butalbital, aspirin, caffeine, codeine (Fiorinal with codeine)	Capsules	
Ergotamine derivatives		
Ergotamine, caffeine (Cafergot, Migergot, Ergomar)	Suppositories, tablets, sublingual tablets	
Dihydroergotamine (D.H.E. 45, Migranal)	Injection, nasal spray	

Neuropathic Pain

Classifications and Medications	Available Dosage Forms	
Topical agents		
Capsaicin (Zostrix)	Lotion, cream, gel, patch, roll-on stick	
Lidocaine (Lidoderm)	Patch	
Antidepressants		
Amitriptyline (Elavil)	Tablets	
Bupropion (Wellbutrin)	Extended-release tablets, sustained-release tablets, tablets	
Duloxetine (Cymbalta)	Capsules	
Fluoxetine (Prozac)	Tablets, capsules, oral solution	
Nortriptyline (Pamelor)	Capsules, solution	
Venlafaxine (Effexor)	Tablets, extended-release tablets and capsules	
Antiepileptics		
Carbamazepine (Tegretol)	Tablets, capsules, oral suspension	
Divalproex, valproic acid (Depakote, Depakene)	Capsules, tablets, syrup	
Gabapentin (Neurontin, Horizant)	Tablets, capsules, oral solution	
Lamotrigine (Lamictal)	Tablets	
Pregabalin (Lyrica)	Capsules	
Topiramate (Topamax)	Tablets, capsules	
Miscellaneous agents		
Tapentadol (Nucynta)	Extended-release tablets, tablets	
Baclofen	Tablets	

Antidepressants

Tricyclic Antidepressants	Monoamine Oxidase Inhibitors	Selective Serotonin Reuptake Inhibitors	Selective Norepinephrine Reuptake Inhibitors	Miscellaneous
Amitriptyline (Elavil) Clomipramine (Anafranil) Desipramine (Norpramin) Doxepin (Sinequan) Imipramine (Tofranil) Nortirptyline (Pamelor)	Isocarboxazid (Marplan) Phenelzine (Nardil) Tranylcypromine (Parnate)	Citalopram (Celexa) Fluoxetine (Prozac) Fluvoxamine Paroxetine (Paxil) Sertraline (Zoloft)	Desvenlafaxine (Pristiq) Duloxetine (Cymbalta) Levomilnacipran (Fetzima) Venlafaxine (Effexor)	Buproprion (Wellbutrin) Mirtazapine (Remeron) Nefazodone (Serzone) Trazodone (Desyrel) Vilazodone (Viibryd) Vortioxetine (Trintellix)

Bipolar Disorder

Classifications and Medications	Dosage Forms	
Lithium carbonate (Lithobid)	Capsules, tablets, controlled-release tablets, syrup	
Antiepileptics		
Carbamazepine (Tegretol, Equetro)	Capsules, suspension, tablets, extended-release tablets, chewable tablets, extended-release capsules	
Divalproex sodium (Depakote)	Capsules (sprinkle), injection, delayed-release tablets, extended-release tablets	
Lamotrigine (Lamictal)	Tablets, orally disintegrating tablets	
Oxcarbazepine (Trileptal)	Suspension, tablets, extended-release tablets	
Atypical antipsychotics		
Aripiprazole (Abilify)	Injection, solution, tablets, orally disintegrating tablets	
Olanzapine (Zyprexa)	Injection, tablets, orally disintegrating tablets	
Quetiapine (Seroquel, Seroquel XR)	Tablets, extended-release tablets	
Risperidone (Risperdal)	Injection, solution, tablets, orally disintegrating tablets	
Ziprasidone (Geodon)	Capsules, injection capsules	
Olanzapine/fluoxetine (Symbyax)	Capsules	

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XR = extended release.

Anxiety Disorder

Classifications and Medications	Available Dosage Form
Benzodiazepines (suffix-pam)	
Alprazolam (Xanax)	Tablets, oral concentrate solution, extended-release tablets, orally disintegrating tablets
Diazepam (Valium)	Injection, oral concentrate solution, oral solution, tablets
Lorazepam (Ativan)	Tablets, injection, oral concentrate solution
Clonazepam (Klonopin)	Tablets, orally disintegrating tablets, wafers
Chlordiazepoxide (Librium)	Capsules
Nonbenzodiazepine	
Buspirone (BuSpar)	Tablets

Antipsychotics

Classifications and Medications	Available Dosage Forms
Conventional antipsychotics	
Chlorpromazine	Tablets, injection
Fluphenazine	Tablets, injection, oral concentrate, elixir
Haloperidol (Haldol)	Tablets, oral concentrate, injection
Loxapine (Adasuve)	Capsules, inhalation powder
Thioridazine	Tablets
Thiothixene	Capsule
Trifluoperazine	Tablets
Atypical antipsychotics	
Aripiprazole (Abilify, Abilify Maintena)	Tablets, solution, orally disintegrating tablets, long-acting injection
Clozapine (Clozaril, Fazaclo, Versacloz)	Tablets, orally disintegrating tablets, oral suspension
Olanzapine (Zyprexa, Zyprexa Relprevv, Zyprexa Zydis)	Tablets, orally disintegrating tablets, injection
Paliperidone (Invega, Invega Sustenna), Invega Trinza	Extended-release tablets, long-acting injection
Quetiapine (Seroquel, Seroquel XR)	Tablets, extended-release tablets
Risperidone (Risperdal, Risperdal Consta)	Tablets, orally disintegrating tablets, solution, long-acting injection
Ziprasidone (Geodon)	Capsules, injection

XR = extended release.

Sedatives/Hypnotics

Classifications and Medications	Available Dosage Forms	
Benzodiazepines (suffix-pam)		
Estazolam	Tablets	
Flurazepam (Dalmane)	Capsules	
Quazepam (Doral)	Tablets	
Temazepam (Restoril)	Capsules	
Triazolam (Halcion)	Tablets	
Other agents (nonbenzodiazepines)		
Eszopiclone (Lunesta)	Tablets	
Ramelteon (Rozerem)	Tablets	
Zaleplon (Sonata)	Capsules	
Zolpidem (Ambien, Ambien CR, Edular, Intermezzo, Zolpmist)	Tablets, extended-release tablets, sublingual tablets, solution	

CR = controlled release.

ADHD

Stimulants	Non-stimulants
Amphetamine (Evekeo)	Atomoxetine (Strattera)
Dexmethylphenidate (Focalin)	
Dextroamphetamine (Dexedrine)	
Lisdexamfetamine (Vyvanse)	
Methylphenidate (Ritalin, Metadate, Concerta, Daytrana)	
Mixed amphetamine salts (Adderall)	

Cholesterol-Lowering Agents

Classifications and Medications	Available Dosage Forms	
Bile acid sequestrants		
Cholestyramine (Questran)	Powder, packets	
Colestipol (Colestid)	Granules, packets, tablets	
Colesevelam (Welchol)	Tablets	
HMG-CoA reductase inhibitors (statins) (common ending-si	atin)	
Atorvastatin (Lipitor)	Tablets	
Fluvastatin (Lescol, Lescol XL)	Capsules, extended-release tablets	
Lovastatin (Altoprev)	Tablets, extended-release tablets	
Pitavastatin (Livalo)	Tablets	
Pravastatin (Pravachol)	Tablets	
Simvastatin (Zocor)	Tablets	
Rosuvastatin (Crestor)	Tablets	
Fibrates		
Gemfibrozil (Lopid)	Tablets	
Fenofibrate, fenofibric acid (Antara, Fenoglide, Lofibra, Lipofen, Triglide, Trilipix, Tricor)	Tablets, capsules	
PCSK-9 inhibitors		
Alirocumab (Praluent)	Injection	
Evolocumab (Repatha)	Injection	
Miscellaneous and combination agents		
Amlodipine/atorvastatin (Caduet)	Tablets	
Ezetimibe (Zetia)	Tablets	
Ezetimibe/simvastatin (Vytorin)	Tablets	
Niacin/lovastatin (Advicor)	Extended-release tablets	
Niacin/simvastatin (Simcor)	Extended-release tablets	
Nicotinic acid (Niacin, Niaspan)	Tablets, capsules, extended-release	
Omega-3 fatty acids (Lovaza)	Capsules	

Diuretics

Classifications and Medications	Available Dosage Forms	
Thiazide diuretics (suffix-diazide)		
Chlorothiazide (Diuril)	Injection, suspension, tablets	
Hydrochlorothiazide (Microzide)	Capsules, tablets	
Metolazone (Zaroxolyn)	Tablets	
Loop diuretics		
Bumetanide (Bumex)	Injection, tablets	
Ethacrynic acid (Edecrin)	Injection, tablets	
Furosemide (Lasix)	Injection, solution, tablets	
Torsemide (Demadex)	Injection, tablets	
Potassium-sparing diuretics		
Eplerenone (Inspra)	Tablets	
Spironolactone (Aldactone)	Tablets	
Triamterene (Dyrenium)	Capsules	
Combination agents		
Aliskiren/HCTZ (Tekturna HCT)	Tablets	
Triamterene/HCTZ (Dyazide, Maxzide)	Tablets, capsules	
Spironolactone/HCTZ (Aldactazide)	Tablets	

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HCT/HCTZ = hydrochlorothiazide.

Beta Blockers

Medications	Cardioselective or Nonselective	Available Dosage Forms
Atenolol (Tenormin)	Cardioselective	Tablets
Bisoprolol	Cardioselective	Tablets
Carvedilol (Coreg, Coreg CR)	Nonselective	Tablets, extended-release (CR) tablets
Labetalol (Trandate)	Nonselective	Tablets, injection
Metoprolol tartrate (Lopressor)	Cardioselective	Injection, tablets
Metoprolol sodium succinate (Toprol-XL)	Cardioselective	Extended-release (XL) tablets
Nadolol (Corgard)	Nonselective	Tablets
Nebivolol (Bystolic)	Cardioselective	Tablets
Propranolol (Inderal LA)	Nonselective	Solution, extended-release (LA) capsules, tablets, injection
Sotalol (Betapace)	Nonselective	Tablets
Combination agents		
Atenolol/chlorthalidone (Tenoretic)	Cardioselective	Tablets
Bisoprolol/HCTZ (Ziac)	Cardioselective	Tablets
Metoprolol/HCTZ (Lopressor HCT)	Cardioselective	Tablets

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CR = controlled release, HCT/HCTZ = hydrochlorothiazide, LA = long acting, XL = extended release.

ACE Inhibitors/ARBs

Classifications and Medications	Available Dosage Forms	
ACE inhibitors (ACEIs) (suffix-pril)		
Benazepril (Lotensin)	Tablets	
Captopril	Tablets	
Enalapril, enalaprilat (Vasotec)	Injection, tablets	
Fosinopril	Tablets	
Lisinopril (Prinivil, Zestril)	Tablets	
Moexipril	Tablets	
Quinapril (Accupril)	Tablets	
Perindopril (Aceon)	Tablets	
Ramipril (Altace)	Capsules, tablets	
Trandolapril (Mavik)	Tablets	
Angiotensin II receptor blockers (ARBs) (suffix-sartan)		
Azilsartan (Edarbi)	Tablets	
Candesartan (Atacand)	Tablets	
Eprosartan	Tablets	
Irbesartan (Avapro)	Tablets	
Losartan (Cozaar)	Tablets	
Olmesartan (Benicar)	Tablets	
Telmisartan (Micardis)	Tablets	
Valsartan (Diovan)	Tablets	

ACE/ARB: Combinations

Combination products	
Amlodipine/olmesartan (Azor)	Tablets
Amlodipine/valsartan (Exforge)	Tablets
Amlodipine/valsartan/HCTZ (Exforge HCT)	Tablets
Benazepril/HCTZ (Lotensin HCT)	Tablets
Candesartan/HCTZ (Atacand HCT)	Tablets
Enalapril/HCTZ (Vaseretic)	Tablets
Irbesartan/HCTZ (Avalide)	Tablets
Lisinopril/HCTZ (Zestoretic)	Tablets
Losartan/HCTZ (Hyzaar)	Tablets
Moexipril/HCTZ (Uniretic)	Tablets
Olmesartan/HCTZ (Benicar HCT)	Tablets
Quinapril/HCTZ (Accuretic)	Tablets
Telmisartan/HCTZ (Micardis HCT)	Tablets
Trandolapril/verapamil (Tarka)	Tablets
Valsartan/HCTZ (Diovan HCT)	Tablets
Valsartan/Sacubitril (Entresto)	Tablets

HCT, HCTZ = hydrochlorothiazide.

Calcium Channel Blockers

Available Dosage Forms		
Tablets		
Injection		
Tablets, extended-release capsules and tablets, injection		
Tablets		
Capsules		
Capsules, extended-release tablets		
Capsules, sustained-release capsules, injection		
Capsules, solution		
Extended-release tablets		
Sustained-release caplets, extended-release capsules, injection, tablets		
Combination agents		
Tablets		
Tablets		
Tablets		

HCTZ = hydrochlorothiazide.

Antiarrhythmic Agents

Class	Medications	Available Dosage Forms
IA	Disopyramide (Norpace, Norpace CR)	Capsules, extended-release capsules
	Procainamide	Injection
	Quinidine	Tablets, injection
IB	Lidocaine (Xylocaine)	Injection
	Mexiletine	Capsules
IC	Flecainide	Tablets
	Propafenone (Rythmol)	Tablets, capsules
П	Atenolol (Tenormin)	Tablets
	Esmolol (Brevibloc)	Injection
	Metoprolol (Lopressor, Toprol XL)	Tablets, injection
	Propranolol (Inderal)	Tablets, capsules, oral solution, injection
111	Amlodarone (Pacerone, Cordarone)	Tablets, injection
	Dofetilide (Tikosyn)	Capsules
	Dronedarone (Multaq)	Tablets
	Ibutilide (Corvert)	Injection
	Sotalol (Betapace)	Tablets, injection

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Asthma/COPD

Short-acting bronchodilators (SABAs)		
Albuterol (Proventil HFA, Ventolin HFA, ProAir HFA, ProAir RespiClick)	MDI, BAI, nebulizer solution, extended-release tablets, oral liquid	
Levalbuterol (Xopenex, Xopenex HFA)	MDI, nebulizer solution	
Long-acting bronchodilators (LABAs)	· ·	
Arformoterol (Brovana)	Nebulizer solution	
Formoterol (Perforomist)	Nebulizer solution	
Indacaterol (Arcapta)	DPI	
Olodaterol (Striverdi)	SMI	
Salmeterol (Serevent)	DPI	
Methylxanthines		
Aminophylline	Injection	
Theophylline (Theo-24, Elixophyllin, Theochron)	Injection, elixir, extended-release capsules/tablets	
Anticholinergics		
Aclidinium (Tudorza)	DPI and BAI	
Ipratropium (Atrovent HFA)	MDI, nebulizer solution	
Tiotropium (Spiriva Handihaler, Spiriva Respimat)	DPI, SMI	
Umeclidinium (Incruse Ellipta)	DPI	

Asthma/COPD (Cont.)

Leukotriene modifiers		
Montelukast (Singulair)	Chewable tablets, tablets, granules	
Zafirlukast (Accolate)	Tablets	
Zileutin (Zyflo, Zyflo CR)	Tablets, extended-release tablets	
Combination agents		
Formoterol/budesonide (Symbicort)	MDI	
Formoterol/mometasone (Dulera)	MDI	
Ipratropium/albuterol (Combivent Respimat, Duoneb)	SMI, nebulizer solution	
Salmeterol/fluticasone (Advair, Advair HFA)	DPI, MDI	
Tiotropium/olodaterol (Stiolto Respimat)	SMI	
Umeclidinium/vilanterol (Anoro Ellipta)	DPI	
Vilanterol/fluticasone (Breo Ellipta)	DPI	

Oral/Inhaled Corticosteroids

Medications	Available Dosage Forms	Comments
Oral corticosteroids		
Prednisone	Solution, intensol, tablets	Bitter taste
Methylprednisolone (Medrol, Solu-Medrol)	Injection, long-acting injection, tablets, dosepak	
Prednisolone (Orapred)	Solution, orally disintegrating tablets, tablets	
Inhaled corticosteroids		
Beclomethasone (QVAR)	BAI	
Budesonide (Pulmicort)	DPI, nebulizer solution	
Ciclesonide (Alvesco)	MDI	
Flunisolide (Aerospan)	MDI	
Mometasone (Asmanex, Asmanex HFA)	DPI, MDI	
Fluticasone Furoate (Arnuity Ellipta)	DPI	
Fluticasone propionate (Flovent HFA, Flovent Diskus)	MDI, DPI	

Antihistamines

Medications	Available Dosage Forms	
Older antihistamines		
Chlorpheniramine (Chlor-Trimeton)	Tablets, solution	
Clemastine (Tavist)	Tablets	
Diphenhydramine (Benadryl)	Caplets, capsules, solution, strips, syrup, orally disintegrating tablets, chewable tablets, injection	
Newer antihistamines		
Azelastine (Astelin)	Intranasal	
Cetirizine (Zyrtec)	Solution, syrup, tablets, chewable tablets, orally disintegrating tablets	
Desloratadine (Clarinex)	Syrup, tablets, orally disintegrating tablets	
Fexofenadine (Allegra)	Suspension, tablets, orally disintegrating tablets	
Levocetirizine (Xyzal)	Solution, tablets	
Loratadine (Claritin, Alavert)	Capsules, solution, syrup, tablets, chewable tablets, orally disintegrating tablets Intranasal	
Olopatadine (Patanase)	Capsules, solution, syrup, tablets, chewable tablets, orally disintegrating tablets Intranasal	

Osteoporosis

Classifications and Medications	Available Dosage Forms			
Calcium supplements				
Calcium carbonate (Caltrate, Os-Cal, Viactiv, Tums)	Tablets, chewable tablets, chews, suspension, powder			
Calcium carbonate + vitamin D (Caltrate +D, Os-cal + D, Viactiv + D)	Tablets, chewable tablets, chews			
Calcium citrate (Citracal)	Tablets, capsules, powder			
Bisphosphonates				
Alendronate (Fosamax)	Tablets, solution			
Alendronate/cholecalciferol (Fosamax + D)	Tablets			
Ibandronate (Boniva)	Tablets, injection			
Risedronate (Actonel, Atelvia)	Tablets			
Risedronate/calcium (Actonel and Calcium)	Tablets			
Zoledronic acid (Reclast)	Injection			
Parathyroid hormone analog				
Teriparatide (Forteo)	Injection			
Selective estrogen receptor modulators (SERMs)				
Raloxifene (Evista)	Tablets			
Miscellaneous agents				
Calcitonin (Miacalcin, Fortical)	Intranasal			
Denosumab (Prolia)	Injection			

NSAIDS

Medications	Available Dosage Forms	
Diclofenac (Flector, Voltaren)	Tablets, gel, delayed-release tablets, patch	
Etodolac	Tablets, capsules, extended-release tablets	
Flurbiprofen	Tablets	
Ibuprofen (Motrin, Advil)	Caplets, capsules, gelcaps, suspension, oral concentrate, drops, tablets, chew- able tablets	
Indomethacin (Indocin)	Capsules, extended-release capsules, injection, suppository, suspension	
Ketorolac	Tablets, injection	
Ketoprofen	Capsules, extended-release capsules	
Meloxicam (Mobic)	Tablets	
Nabumetone	Tablets	
Naproxen (Naprosyn, Naprelan, Aleve, Anaprox DS)	Caplets, capsules, gelcaps, suspension, tablets, delayed-release tablets, extended-release tablets	
Oxaprozin (Daypro)	Tablets	
Piroxicam (Feldene)	Capsules	
Sulindac	Tablets	
Diclofenac/misoprostol (Arthrotec)	Tablets	
COX-2 inhibitors		
Celecoxib (Celebrex)	Capsules	

Muscle Relaxants

Medications	Available Dosage Forms
Baclofen (Lioresal)	Tablets, intrathecal injection
Carisoprodol (Soma)	Tablets
Chlorzoxazone	Tablets
Cyclobenzaprine	Tablets
Dantrolene (Dantrium)	Tablets, injection
Diazepam (Valium)	Tablets, oral solution, injection
Metaxalone (Skelaxin)	Tablets
Methocarbamol (Robaxin)	Tablets, injection
Orphenadrine	Tablets, injection
Tizanidine (Zanaflex)	Tablets

Opioids

Medications	Available Dosage Forms	
Alfentanil (Alfenta)	Injection	
Buprenorphine (Buprenex, Subutex)	Sublingual tablets, injection	
Butorphanol (Stadol)	Injection, nasal spray	
Codeine	Tablets	
Fentanyl (Sublimaze, Duragesic, Fentora, Actiq, Lazanda)	Injection, patch, buccal tablets, transmucosal lozenge, nasal solution	
Hydrocodone Bitartrate (Zohydro)	Extended-release capsules, antiabuse capsules and tablets	
Hydromorphone (Dilaudid, Exalgo)	Tablets, solution, injection, suppository, extended-release tablets	
Levorphanol	Tablets	
Meperidine (Demerol)	Tablets, solution, injection	
Morphine (Avinza, Kadian, MS Contin, Oramorph SR, Roxanol)	Tablets, capsules, extended-release tablets, solution, injec- tion, suppository	
Nalbuphine	Injection	
Oxycodone (Oxaydo, OxyContin)	Tablets, extended-release tablets, solution	
Oxymorphone (Opana, Opana ER)	Tablets, solution, extended-release tablets	
Remifentanil (Ultiva)	Injection	
Sufentanil (Sufenta)	Injection	
Tapentadol (Nucynta)	Tablets, extended-release tablets	
Tramadol (Ultram)	Tablets, solution, extended-release tablets	

Insulins

Insulin Type	Onset of Action	Duration of Action		
Rapid-acting				
Aspart (NovoLOG)	15 min	3–4 hr		
Glulisine (Apidra)	15 min	3–4 hr		
Lispro (AdmeLOG, HumaLOG, HumaLOG Jr, HumaLOG U 200)	15 min	3-4 hr		
Short-acting				
Regular (HumuLIN R, HumuLIN R U-500, NovoLIN R, Afrezza)	30-60 min	4-6 hr		
Intermediate-acting				
NPH (HumuLIN N, NovoLIN N)	2-4 hr	12-18 hr		
Long-acting (basal)				
Detemir (Levemir)	3-4 hr	16-20 hr		
Glargine (Basaglar, Lantus, Toujeo)	2-4 hr	24 hr		
Degludec (Tresiba, Tresiba U-200)	1 hr	24 hr		
Insulin combinations				
Aspart Protamine and Aspart (NovoLOG 70/30)	10-20 min	18-24 hr		
Lispro Protamine and Lispro (HumaLOG 50/50, HumaLOG 75/25)	15-30 min	14-24 hr		
NPH and Regular (HumuLIN 70/30, NovoLIN 70/30)	30 min	18-24 hr		
Long-acting insulin and GLP-1 combinations				
Degludec and Liraglutide (Xultophy)	1 hr	24 hr		
Glargine and Lixisenatide (Soliqua)	2-4 hr	24 hr		
Antidiabetics

Classifications and Medications	Available Dosage Forms		
Sulfonylureas			
Glimepiride (Amaryl)	Tablets		
Glipizide (Glucotrol)	Tablets, extended-release tablets		
Glyburide (Glynase)	Tablets		
Meglitinides (secretagogues)			
Nateglinide (Starlix)	Tablets		
Repaglinide (Prandin)	Tablets		
Biguanides			
Metformin (Glucophage, Fortamet, Glumetza, Riomet)	Tablets, extended-release tablets, solution		
Thiazolidinediones (glitazones)			
Pioglitazone (Actos)	Tablets		
Rosiglitazone (Avandia)	Tablets		

Antidiabetics (Cont.)

Classifications and Medications	Available Dosage Forms	
Alpha-glucosidase inhibitors		
Acarbose (Precose)	Tablets	
Miglitol (Glyset)	Tablets	
Incretin mimetics		
Albiglutide (Tanzeum)	Injection	
Dulaglutide (Trulicity)	Injection	
Exenatide (Byetta, Bydureon)	Injection	
Liraglutide (Victoza)	Injection	
Amylin analog		
Pramlintide (Symlin)	Injection	
Dipeptidyl peptidase-4 (DPP-4) inhibitors		
Alogliptin (Nesina)	Tablets	
Linagliptin (Tradjenta)	Tablets	
Saxagliptin (Onglyza)	Tablets	
Sitagliptin (Januvia)	Tablets	
Sodium-glucose cotransporter 2 inhibitors (SGLT-2) inhibitors		
Canagliflozin (Invokana)	Tablets	
Dapagliflozin (Farxiga)	Tablets	
Empagliflozin (Jardiance)	Tablets	

Thyroid Agents

Medications	Available Dosage Forms		
Agents to treat hypothyroidism			
Levothyroxine (Synthroid, Levothroid, Levoxyl, Tirosint, Unithroid)	Tablets, injection, capsules		
Liothyronine (Cytomel)	Tablets, injection		
Liotrix (Thyrolar)	Tablets		
Thyroid USP (Armour Thyroid, Nature-throid)	Tablets		
Agents to treat hyperthyroidism			
lodides (SSKI, Lugol's solution)	Solutions		
Methimazole (Tapazole)	Tablets		
Propylthiouracil (PTU)	Tablets		

H2RA

Medications	Available Dosage Forms	
Cimetidine (Tagamet HB)	Solution, tablets	
Famotidine (Pepcid)	Chewable tablets, injection, suspension, tablets	
Nizatidine	Capsules, solution, tablets	
Ranitidine (Zantac)	Injection, capsules, syrup, tablets	



Medications	Available Dosage Forms
Dexlansoprazole (Dexilant)	Capsules
Esomeprazole (Nexium)	Delayed-release capsules, granules for suspension, injection
Lansoprazole (Prevacid)	Delayed-release capsules, delayed-release tablets, orally disintegrating tablets, suspension
Omeprazole (Prilosec)	Delayed-release capsules, granules for suspension, delayed-release tablets
Pantoprazole (Protonix)	Granules for suspension, delayed-release tablets, injection
Rabeprazole (Aciphex)	Delayed-release tablets

Antiemetics

Medications	Available Dosage Forms	
Aprepitant (Emend)	Capsules, suspension	
Dimenhydrinate (Dramamine)	Injection, tablets, chewable tablets	
Fosaprepitant (Emend)	Injection	
Meclizine (Antivert, Bonine)	Tablet, chewable tablets	
Metoclopramide (Reglan)	Injection, solution, tablets	
Prochlorperazine (Compro)	Injection, suppository, tablets	
Promethazine (Phenergan)	Injection, suppository, syrup, tablets	
Scopolamine (Trans-Derm Scop)	Patch	
Trimethobenzamide (Tigan)	Capsules, injection	
5-HT ₃ antagonists		
Dolasetron (Anzemet)	Tablets, injection	
Granisetron (Sancuso)	Injection, solution, tablets, patch	
Ondansetron (Zofran, Zuplenz)	Injection, solution, tablets, orally disintegrating tablets, film	
Palonosetron (Aloxi)	Injection	

Laxatives

Classifications and Medications	Available Dosage Forms	
Bulk-forming laxatives		
Methylcellulose (Citrucel)	Caplets, powder	
Polycarbophil (FiberCon, Equalactin)	Caplets, tablets, chewable tablets	
Psyllium (Metamucil, Konsyl)	Capsules, powder, wafers	
Bowel evacuants		
Polyethylene Glycol-PEG (Miralax)	Powder	
Stool softeners		
Docusate Calcium (Surfak)	Capsules, liquid	
Docusate Sodium (Colace, Correctol)	Capsules, liquid, enema, syrup	
Lubricant laxatives		
Magnesium citrate (Citroma)	Solution	
Magnesium hydroxide (Phillips Milk of Magnesia)	Suspension, chewable tablets	
Mineral Oil (Fleet Mineral Oil Enema, Kondremul)	Liquid, oil (rectal)	
Saline laxatives		
Hyperosmotic laxatives		
Glycerin	Suppository	
Lactulose (Generlac)	Solution	
Stimulant laxatives		
Bisacodyl (Dulcolax)	Enema, suppository, tablets	
Senna (Senokot, Ex-Lax)	Liquid, drops, orally disintegrating strips, syrup, tablets, chewable tablets	

Topical Corticosteroids

Corticosteroid Potency Medications	Available Dosage Forms		
Low potency			
Desonide (DesOwen)	Cream, ointment, gel, foam, lotion		
Hydrocortisone (Cortaid, Cortizone-10)	Cream, ointment, gel, spray, solution, lotion		
Medium potency			
Mometasone (Elocon)	Cream, ointment, lotion, solution		
High potency			
Desoximetasone (Topicort)	Cream, ointment, gel, solution		
Fluocinonide (Vanos)	Cream, ointment, gel, solution		
Triamcinolone (Kenalog)	Cream, ointment, lotion, solution		
Very high potency			
Clobetasol (Clobex, Clodan, Olux, Temovate)	Cream, ointment, gel, foam, lotion, solution		

Benign Prostatic Hypertrophy

Classifications and Medications	Available Dosage Forms	
Alpha, adrenergic inhibitors		
Alfuzosin (Uroxatral)	Extended-release tablets	
Doxazosin (Cardura, Cardura XL)	Tablets, extended-release tablets	
Prazosin (Minipress)	Capsules	
Silodosin (Rapaflo)	Capsules	
Tamsulosin (Flomax)	Capsules	
Terazosin	Capsules	
Androgen hormone inhibitors		
Dutasteride (Avodart)	Capsules	
Dutasteride/tamsulosin (Jalyn)	Capsules	
Finasteride (Proscar)	Tablets	

XL = extended release.

Cephalosporins

First-Generation	Second-Generation	Third-Generation	Fourth-Generation	Fifth-Generation
Cefadroxil Cefazolin (Ancef) Cephalexin (Keflex)	Cefaclor Cefotetan Cefoxitin (Mefoxin) Cefprozil Cefuroxime (Ceftin)	Cefdinir (Omnicef) Cefixime (Suprax) Cefotaxime (Claforan) Cefpodoxime Ceftazidime (Fortaz) Ceftriaxone (Rocephin)	Cefepime (Maxipime)	Ceftaroline (Teflaro)

Fluoroquinolones

Medications	Available Dosage Forms	
Ciprofloxacin (Cipro)	Injection, suspension, tablets, extended-release tablets	
Gemifloxacin (Factive)	Tablets	
Levofloxacin (Levaquin)	Injection, solution, tablets	
Ofloxacin (Floxin)	Tablets	
Moxifloxacin (Avelox)	Injection, tablets	

Macrolides

Generic Name	Brand Name	Route of Administration
Azithromycin	Zithromax	Oral, IV
Clarithromycin	Biaxin	Oral
Dirithromycin	Dynabac	Oral
Erythromycin	mycin Various	

IV = intravenous

Penicillins

Generic Name	Brand Name	Route of Administration
Penicillin G	Bicillin, Bicillin LA	IM, IV
Penicillin VK	Various	Oral
Penicillinase-resistant		
Cloxacillin	Dynapen, Pathocil	Oral, injection
Nafcillin	Unipen	Oral, IV
Broad-spectrum		
Amoxicillin	Various	Oral
Amoxicillin/clavulanate	Augmentin	Oral
Ampicillin	Principen, Unasyn	Oral, injection

Antifungals

Classifications and Medications	Available Dosage Forms	
Amphotericin B		
Conventional (Amphotericin B)	Injection	
Liposomal (AmBisome)	Injection	
Lipid complex (Abelcet)	Injection	
Azole antifungals		
Fluconazole (Diflucan)	Tablets, powder for oral suspension, injection	
Itraconazole (Sporanox)	Capsules, oral solution	
Ketoconazole	Tablets	
Posaconazole (Noxafil)	Oral suspension, tablets, injection	
Voriconazole (Vfend)	Tablets, powder for oral suspension, injection	
Echinocandins		
Anidulafungin (Eraxis)	Injection	
Caspofungin (Cancidas)	Injection	
Micafungin (Mycamine)	Injection	

Vaccines

Available Dosage Form	Disease Prevented			
Inactivated vaccines				
IM injection	Hepatitis A			
IM injection	Hepatitis B			
IM injection	Shingles			
IM injection	Cervical cancer, genital warts			
IM injection	Influenza			
IM injection	Meningitis			
IM or sub-Q injection	Pneumonia			
IM injection	Polio			
IM injection	Tetanus and diphtheria (Td)			
IM injection	Tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis (DTAP)			
IM injection	Tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis (Tdap)			
Sub-Q injection	Shingles			
Sub-Q injection	Measles, mumps, rubella			
Oral suspension	Rotavirus gastroenteritis			
Sub-Q injection	Chicken pox			
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Anticoagulants/Thrombolytics

Classifications and Medications	Available Dosage Forms		
Heparin			
Unfractionated heparin	Injection		
Low-molecular-weight heparins			
Dalteparin (Fragmin)	Injection		
Enoxaparin (Lovenox)	Injection		
Factor Xa inhibitors			
Apixaban (Eliquis)	Tablets		
Betrixaban (Bevyxxa)	Tablets		
Edoxaban (Savaysa)	Tablets		
Fondaparinux (Arixtra)	Injection		
Rivaroxaban (Xarelto)	Tablets		
Direct thrombin inhibitors			
Argatroban	Injection		
Bivalirudin (Angiomax)	Injection		
Dabigatran (Pradaxa)	Capsules		
Desirudin (Iprivask)	Injection		
Vitamin K, inhibitors			
Warfarin sodium (Coumadin, Jantoven)	Tablets		
Thrombolytics			
Alteplase (Activase, Cathflo)	Injection		
Tenecteplase (TNKase)	Injection		