A QUICK GUIDE TO HANDWRITING CONTROLLED DRUGS (CDs) ON FP10 PRESCRIPTIONS

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KEY POINTS FOR HANDWRITING* PRESCRIPTIONS FOR PALLIATIVE CARE DRUGS: Link to SWL prescribing website

- STATE THE NAME, STRENGTH AND FORMULATION OF THE CD (LEGAL REQUIREMENT)
- STATE THE DOSE AND FREQUENCY OF ADMINISTRATION (eg. “5mg QDS” OR “5mg every 4hours PRN”). “AS REQUIRED” or “AS DIRECTED” IS NOT COMPLIANT WITH REGULATIONS. THIS ALSO APPLIES TO CD INJECTABLES (LEGAL REQUIREMENT)
- NOTE: ORAMORPH 10MG/5mL ORAL LIQUID IS NOT A CD AND THEREFORE HAS NO CD WRITING REQUIREMENTS
- SPECIFY THE TOTAL QUANTITY OF THE CD REQUIRED IN TABLETS/ CAPSULES/ MILLILITRES/ AMPOULES/ PATCHES IN WORDS AND FIGURES (LEGAL REQUIREMENT)
- MODIFIED RELEASE ORAL OPIOIDS AND OPIOID PATCHES SHOULD BE PRESCRIBED BY THE SPECIFIED COST-EFFECTIVE BRAND AS STATED ON THE PALLIATIVE CARE PHARMACY STOCK SHEET (RECOMMENDATION)
- KEEP INJECTABLES AND NON-INJECTABLES ON SEPARATE SCRIPTS (RECOMMENDATION)
- KEEP PRN S/C INJECTABLES AND SYRINGE PUMP INJECTABLES ON SEPARATE SCRIPTS (RECOMMENDATION)
- KEEP DRUGS THAT ARE CDs AND DRUGS THAT ARE NOT CDs ON SEPARATE SCRIPTS (RECOMMENDATION)
- PRESCRIBE SUFFICIENT FOR A 7-DAY PERIOD. THIS REDUCES POTENTIAL WASTE AND ALLOWS TIME FOR ANY REPEAT REQUESTS TO BE GENERATED AND DISPENSED VIA THE NORMAL ROUTE (RECOMMENDATION)

*NOTE: CDs GENERATED ON AN ELECTRONIC PRESCRIBING SYSTEM ARE AUTOMATED TO COMPLY WITH REGULATIONS

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Boots (Putney) (holder of extended stock list) SW15 1SP. Tel: 020 8788 6191
Well Pharmacy SW15 4DG. Tel: 020 8788 3150
Healthchem SW11 3AW. Tel: 020 7228 9191
Paydens Pharmacy SW12 9HR. Tel: 020 8673 7646
Earlsfield Pharmacy SW18 4SU. Tel: 020 8946 6822

If the person taking the prescription to the pharmacy is not collecting the medicines, they must notify patient/car of pharmacy’s address and telephone

EXAMPLE ORAL LIQUID FP10

EXAMPLE ORAL CAPSULE FP10

EXAMPLE prn S/C INJECTION FP10

EXAMPLE S/C SYRINGE PUMP FP10