



The Complete Order

Keeping our residents safe from an adverse medication event starts with the basics.

As more and more medications become available and many can have confusing or similar names/dosages, writing a complete and accurate medication order is crucial to avoid an adverse medication event.

The Complete Medication Order Checklist can serve as a tool for assisting the nurse to ascertain that all required elements are included in the medication order. We recommend incorporating this tool into your daily practice.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact your Remedi SeniorCare pharmacist.

IS YOUR ORDER COMPLETE?

Medications are Dispensed by the Pharmacy only upon Receipt of a Clear and Complete Order.

The Complete Medication Order Checklist

RIGHT RESIDENT

- First and Last Name
- Second Identifier

RIGHT MEDICATION

- Drug Name
- Drug Form

RIGHT DOSE

- Drug Strength

RIGHT ROUTE

- Route of Administration

RIGHT TIME

- **Frequency and Scheduling**
- **Administration Times** if other than default
- **Start/Stop Date and Times** for duration order

DETAILS

- Reason
- DAW if appropriate
- Parameters if indicated/ordered
- Quantity (for controlled substances, AL/IL orders)

Transmit discontinued and changed orders to the pharmacy immediately.

Communicate room changes, resident discharges, hospital admissions, and leave of absences immediately.

Ensure full date, time, and signature of transcriber/prescriber are clear.