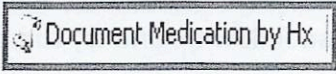
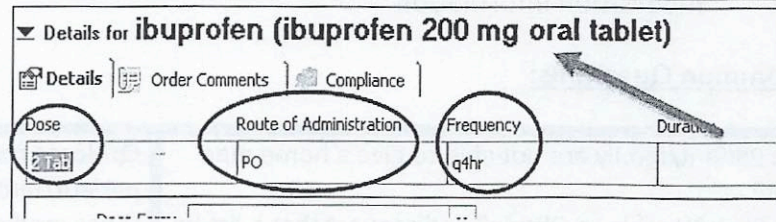
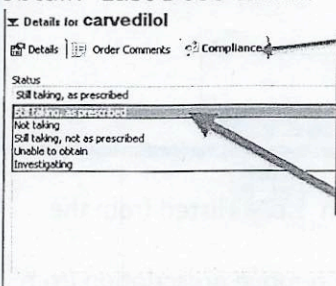
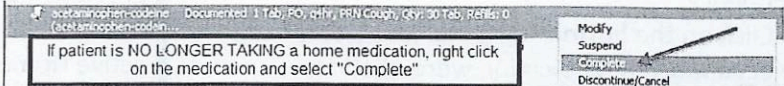
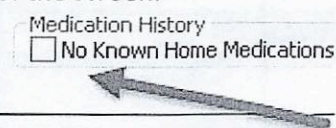
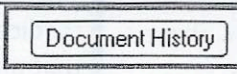


Gathering an Accurate Home Medication List

In order for a patient to be safely treated in the ED, Inpatient Units, and for Surgical Procedures- it is important to have an accurate home medication list. This list drives physician medication reconciliation as well as important alerts for drug/drug interactions.

Process: Gather patient's list of home medications at ED Triage and upon Admission

<p>Click on the button: </p> <p>(available in Order/Plans section or within Forms- ED Triage, Admission History)</p>	<p>Document all medications that patient is currently taking at home- including dose, route, strength, and frequency.</p> 
<p>Document Compliance, and if possible to obtain- Last Dose taken.</p>  <p>Click on "compliance" tab and enter compliance and last dose taken information.</p> <p>If patient is NOT taking medication as prescribed, enter a comment below compliance status.</p>	<p>If home medications display from patient's last visit to the hospital, make sure to validate that patient is still taking those medications.</p> <p>For any medications that patient is no longer taking, right click on the medication and select "complete" to remove from the active list. (do not void or d/c home medications or prescription- these will display as "stop taking" on the patient's discharge instructions)</p>  <p>If patient is NO LONGER TAKING a home medication, right click on the medication and select "Complete"</p>
<p>If patient is not taking any medications at home, click on "No known Home Medications" on the top of the screen.</p> 	<p>Click  to sign and save.</p> <p>Enter the patient's preferred pharmacy and all allergies- including medication, food, and environmental.</p>

Hand-Off:

Important: If a home med list is “unable to obtain,” incomplete (missing medication details or an unconfirmed medication from a previous visit- follow-up needs to be done:

1. Make sure to include details of the incomplete home medication list in hand-off to the next nurse caring for the patient
2. Ask the family/careprovider/friend to bring in a list of the patient’s current home medications
3. If family, etc are not able to bring in a home medication list, inform Attending Physician and provide the patient’s pharmacy and/or PCP, so that the physician can follow up and try to obtain home medication information.

Common Questions:

Q: Patient/family are not able to give a home med list?

A: Click “Unable to Obtain” and request that a list be brought to the hospital

Unable To Obtain Information

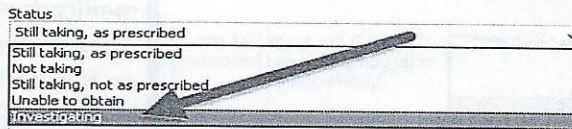


Q: Home medications are documented from previous visit, but patient/family cannot validate whether patient is still taking those medication(s).

A: Right click on medication and select “add/modify compliance” and choose “investigating” option

Compliance |

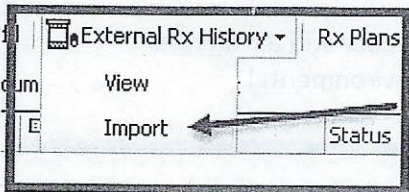
Status
 Still taking, as prescribed
 Still taking, as prescribed
 Not taking
 Still taking, not as prescribed
 Unable to obtain
 Investigating




Q: Patient is having difficulty remembering all the medication details- strength, dose, route, and frequency?

A: Click on the button “external Rx History” and select *import*. If medication were filled at a pharmacy or insurance company registered with Surescripts, those will pull into the window. These details can help with the interview process.

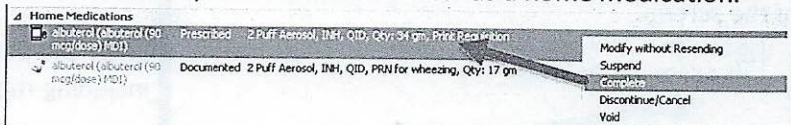
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Q: What should I do with a prescription  listed from the previous visit?

A: Right click and select “complete” to remove prescription from active Home Med List (do not leave prescription, as this will cause confusion for meds reconciliation and for the patient’s medication instructions at discharge). If patient is STILL TAKING that medication, click “Add” and enter as a home medication.

Home Medications
 albuterol (albuterol (90 mcg/dose) #101) Prescribed 2 Puff Aerosol, INH, QID, Qty: 34 gm, Print Rx Definition
 albuterol (albuterol (90 mcg/dose) #101) Documented 2 Puff Aerosol, INH, QID, PRN for wheezing, Qty: 17 gm



medication MOBIC 15 MG TABLET 08/08/12 30.000 Unknown Unit
 Convert to Documented Medication
 Right click on prescription in external Rx list to convert to Documented Home Medication if patient confirms information is correct

