

LOOKOUT for Look-Alike, Sound-Alike Drugs

Strategies to Reduce Errors

Storage

- ★ Limit formulary choices
- ★ Physically separate drugs
- ★ Incorporate TALL MAN lettering (Pyxis®, orders, storage bins)
- ★ Use shelf-talker labels to alert staff

Prescribing

- ★ Avoid abbreviations of drug names
- ★ Use brand and generic names in the electronic medical record

- ★ Specify indication upon ordering **New**

- ★ Recognize TALL MAN lettering

Administration

- ★ Limit access to medications via the patient's Pyxis Profile
- ★ Review Pyxis prompts and alerts
- ★ Implement the 5 rights of medication administration
- ★ Visually inspect and utilize barcode medication administration
- ★ Perform independent double-checks for high-alert medication

When in doubt, please contact the prescriber for clarification.

Morphine		HYDRomorphone (Dilaudid®)	
predniSONE		prednisoLONE	
Ketorolac *New*		Ketamine *New*	
valACYclovir *New*		valGANciclovir *New*	
miFEPRIStone (Mifeprex®)		miSOPROStol (Cytotec®)	
Tacrolimus Immediate Release (Prograf®)		Tacrolimus Extended Release (Envarsus XR®)	
ceFAZolin (Ancef®)	cefTRIAxone (Rocephin®)	cefePIME (Maxipime®)	
rifABUTin (Mycobutin®)	rifAMPin (Rifadin®)	rifAXIMin (Xifaxan®)	
Tdap (Adolescent/Adult) (Tetanus Toxoid, Reduced Diphtheria Toxoid, and Acellular Pertussis Vaccine Adsorbed)	DTaP (Pediatric) (Diphtheria and Tetanus Toxoids and Acellular Pertussis Vaccine Adsorbed)	Td (Tetanus and Diphtheria Toxoids Adsorbed)	
hydrALAZine (Apresoline®)		hydrOXYzine (Atarax®)	
DOPamine (Intropin®)		DOBUTamine (Dobutrex®)	
LORazepam (Ativan®)	clonazepam (Klonopin®)	ALPRAZolam (Xanax®)	cloBAZam (Onfi®)
traZODone (Desyrel®)	traMADol (Ultram®)	toRAdol® (Ketorolac)	
PHENYLephrine (Neo Synephrine®)	EPINEPHrine (Adrenalin®)	NORepinephrine (Levophed®)	
levETIRAcetam (Keppra®)		levoFLOXacin (Levaquin®)	
Insulins – Regular, Aspart (novoLOG®), NPH, 70/30, Glargine (Lantus®)			
riTUXimab (Rituxan®)		inFLIXimab (Remicade®)	