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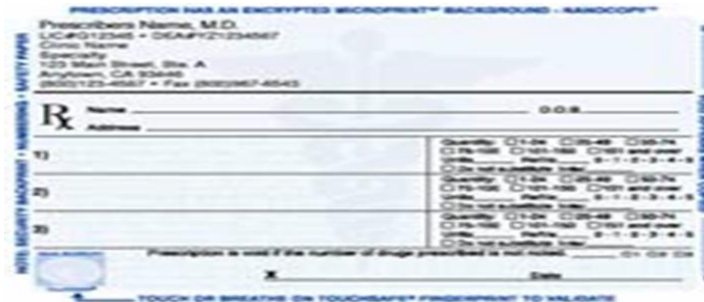


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Prescription writing

Prescription is a written order from a physician to a pharmacist to supply certain quantity of a specific substance(s) or drug(s) to a specific patient..



Parts of prescription

Superscription: name, professional degree, contact no. address of prescriber,

Date when order is written.

Name, address & age of patient; & symbol Rx (an abbreviation for "recipe," ! Latin for "take thou." _

Inscription : ! body of ! Pres. containing ! name, strength of each drug, & dosage form of ! Tr.

Subscription: quantity to be dispensed. ! directions to ! pharmacist, usually consisting of a short sentence: "make a solution," "mix & place into 10 capsules," or "dispense 10 tablets."

Transcription : labeling of instruction to ! Patient, prescriber's signature.

When writing ! drug name:

either **generic name (nonproprietary name)** is used.

OR ! **brand name (proprietary name)**

- ! strength of ! medication should be written in **metric units** (Not apothecary).

1 gr = 60 mg

15 gr = 1 g

1 ounce (oz) by volume = 30 ml

1 tsp = 5 ml

1 tbsp = 15 ml

20 drops = 1 ml

2.2 pounds (lb) = 1 kg.

Example ; - Doctor name:

Doctors address

Patient name :-

Address/

Date:

Rx

Phenoxymethylpenicillin tablet 250
mg/tablet

Send 40 tablets.

2 tablets to be taken 4 times / day

Doctor signature

Latin abbreviations frequently used in prescription writing

<i>Abbreviation</i>	<i>Latin</i>	<i>English</i>
ad lib.	<i>ad libitum</i>	at pleasure
a.c.	<i>ante cibum</i>	before meals
aq.	<i>aqua</i>	water
<u>b.i.d.</u>	<i>bis in die</i>	twice a day
<u>caps.</u>	<i>capsula</i>	capsule
<u>c̄</u>	<i>cum</i>	with
d.	<i>dies</i>	a day, daily
disp.	<i>dispensa</i>	dispense
gtt.	<i>guttae</i>	drops
h.	<i>hora</i>	hour
h.s.	<i>hora somni</i>	at bedtime
non rep.	<i>non repetatur</i>	do not repeat (or refill)
no.	<i>numerus</i>	number, amount
p.c.	<i>post cibum</i>	after meals
p.r.n.	<i>pro re nata</i>	as needed
q.h.	<i>quaque hora</i>	every hour
q. 4 h.	<i>quaque quarta hora</i>	every 4 hours
<u>q.i.d.</u>	<i>quater in die</i>	four times a day
<u>Sig.</u>	<i>signa</i>	let it be labeled, label
<u>stat.</u>	<i>statim</i>	immediately
<u>tab.</u>	<i>tabella</i>	tablet
<u>t.i.d.</u>	<i>ter in die</i>	three times a day

cap	capsule
supp	suppository
susp	suspension
Tap	tablet