NI Centre for Pharmacy Learning & Development

Medicines Management Accredited Programme (MMAP)

Module 4
Patient Medication Counselling Checklist

To discuss in the counselling session

To discuss if appropriate or if patient asks this question

Ensure inpatient prescription (Medicines administration record - MAR) has been clinically screened by pharmacist. Obtain handover information from pharmacist.

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Name form and class of drug e.g.
Warfarin, tablets, anticoagulant (blood thinner)

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Dosage schedule
e.g. dose, frequency, quantity, duration, how to take it and any additional warnings or symptoms to watch out for.

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Additional patient information leaflets / any monitoring needed
e.g. DOAC booklet / steroid card/ warfarin booklet

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Is there a user technique required for administration?
e.g. for inhaler, enoxaparin, liquid morphine sulfate

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Share Patient information leaflet, discussion of any common side effects

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Any special precautions needed? How to store medication
Fridge item?

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What to do if a dose is missed

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Additional equipment? Aerochamber/ sharps box etc

Any questions the patient asks outside the remit of the counselling tool should be referred to a pharmacist.