



SAFE MEDICATION FOR BETTER LIFE



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3rd WHO global patient safety challenge

EVERYONE has a role in MEDICATION SAFETY

Patient Knowledge: Common Gaps

Names of their medicines	Reasons for taking a medicine	Correct dosage
Interactions and side effects	When to stop a medicine	Risks of excessive drug use



Patients are not always medication wise. Patient education, improved dosing regimens and better communication can make medication safer.



World smart medication day

--6th of May

An initiative by **IUPHAR** to raise awareness on safer and more effective use of drugs
2021 theme: **"bringing students together"**



The 3rd WHO global patient safety challenge prioritizes three key areas of harm that are common worldwide.

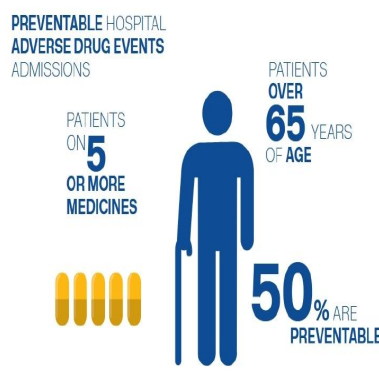
- High-risk medications
- Use of multiple medications (polypharmacy)
- Transitions of care

High risk medication



Identification of high risk medications, safe storage, clinical check and patient knowledge can prevent adverse incidents involving **'high risk medicines'**.

Use of multiple medications (polypharmacy)



Keeping an accurate record of all medicines prescribed, informing doctor of any supplements (if taking), being aware of side effects and taking all medications with proper dose can keep away risk factors associated.

Transition of care



Transitions of care occur when patient moves between facilities, sectors and with good communication, medication reconciliation patients can be active and valuable participants of the process and can also avoid **'medication errors'**.