



The six rights of safe medication administration

1. Right patient ✓

- Ask the patient their first and last name
- Does the order match the patient?

2. Right medication ✓

- Does the medication label match the order?
- Be vigilant with look-alike and sound-alike medications

3. Right dose ✓

- Does the strength and dosage match the order?
- Is it half, whole or multiple tablets?

4. Right time ✓

- Does the administration time match the order?
- Before administering a PRN medication, ensure specified time interval has passed

5. Right route ✓

- Does the route match the order?
- Can this be crushed or mixed in other substances?
- Have any transdermal patches been removed?

6. Right documentation ✓

- Document immediately after the medication is administered

