



Safe Handling

- On receiving your prescription, review the package label, specifically checking medication name and dosage.
- Ensure that you completely understand when and how to take the medication and ask questions if there is any confusion.
- Transport and store medicine as instructed and as outlined in the packaging label.
- Use gloves if possible and wash hands thoroughly before and after glove application.
- Administer the medication as instructed.
- Keep a journal of adverse effects. Make a list of adverse effects for which the health care professional has to be contacted immediately.
- Return wet, damaged, unused, discontinued, or expired medications to the pharmacy.
- Report all medications (prescription and nonprescription as well as complementary and alternative medicines) and any specific dietary requirements to the pharmacist, at the time of assessment and consultation.