

Medication Reconciliation and You

Canisteo Valley Family Practice has consistently scored 100% on the reportable measure of Medication Reconciliation for the year 2016.

| Jan-16 | Feb-16 | Mar-16 | Apr-16 | May-16 | Jun-16 | Jul-16 | Aug-16 | Sep-16 | Oct-16 | Nov-16 | Dec-16 |
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| 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |

What is it?

Medication Reconciliation is the process of identifying the most accurate list of all medications that the patient is taking, including name, dosage, frequency, and route, by comparing the medical record to an external list of medications obtained from a patient, hospital, or other provider. (CMS)

Why is it important?

Medication errors are common and often occur when patients move between healthcare settings. Around half of hospital medication errors occur on admission, transfer and discharge. Knowing a complete list of medications also decreases the risk of medication interactions, some of which can be serious.

What can your health care provider do?

At **every visit**, we ask you to confirm the medications you are taking, ask if you are seeking care from another provider, and ask if you have added any herbal or vitamin supplements to your routine. We also review discharge documents and reports from other health care providers.

What can you do?

Always report any changes in your medication to your providers, and when leaving the hospital or emergency room, make sure you get a list of the medications they may have prescribed for you. Also, always carry a list of your medications with you.



Thank you for your cooperation with this important safety practice!

