



# MEDICATION TAKING

## Checklist for Healthcare Providers

A review or discussion of medications reduces confusion, misconceptions and errors. Below is a checklist that will help ensure that medications are taken by the individual as prescribed.

### CHECKLIST

- Name of the medication (brand name and generic) was provided.
- Written material was provided.
- Allergies to this or any other medication was reviewed.
- Medication's specific use was discussed.
- Individual clearly understands medication taking times, e.g., what four times a day or before meals actually means.
- Benefits of taking the medication was discussed.
- Individual understands the consequences of not taking the medication as prescribed.
- Length of time medication is expected to be taken was discussed.
- Affordability and cost of medication was discussed.
- Individual is aware of side effects, risks and precautions of taking the medication including what they currently know and how they feel about possible side effects.
- Individual is knowledgeable of proper storage of medication.
- Individual has repeated back medication plan to close the loop.
- Followed up with individual to ensure what was discussed and agreed upon is still working.