

MEDICATION LABEL

SAMPLE MEDICATION LABEL FOR CYTOTOXIC MEDICATIONS ADMINISTERED IN THE FACILITY/HOSPITAL

CYTOTOXIC GENERIC DRUG NAME _____

_____ DRUG DOSE _____

DRUG ADMINISTRATION ROUTE _____

DRUG ADDITIVE	AMOUNT

Date prepared _____ Time _____ am _____ pm

Use by date _____ Time _____ am _____ pm

Prepared by _____

Patient name (3 names) _____

Hospital no (inpatient/outpatient no) _____

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS (e.g. administration, storage conditions)

NB: Consider having a label with a different colour (preferably a bright colour) from the labels normally used in the facility

LABEL FOR CYTOTOXIC MEDICATIONS DISPENSED FROM A HEALTH FACILITY TO BE TAKEN HOME

Patient name (3 names) _____

Hospital no (inpatient/outpatient no) _____

Date prepared _____ Time _____ am/pm

Use by date _____ Time _____ am/pm

Generic drug name _____

Dosage form and strength _____

Dosage _____

Quantity dispensed _____

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS (e.g. administration, storage conditions)

**Caution statement label attached to the prepared product,
for example: 'CAUTION: CHEMOTHERAPY' or 'HAZARDOUS DRUG'**

SPECIAL LABELS – ROUTES OF ADMINISTRATION

- For drugs such as vincristine, which if given via intrathecal route, are fatal, the label should read as follows:

'FOR INTRAVENOUS USE ONLY – FATAL IF GIVEN BY OTHER ROUTES'

- All medications intended for intrathecal administration should be packaged separately from other types of medication, and should be supplied by the pharmacy in a distinctive container to prevent confusion with intravenous drugs. They should display a prominent warning stating:

'FOR INTRATHECAL INJECTION ONLY'