#### Prescription

 A prescription is a written order by a registered physician directing the pharmacist to prepare or dispense pharmacological agents for the diagnosis, prevention or treatment of a disease.

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# Requirement of Prescriptions

- 1. Date
- 2. Name and address of doctor.
- 3. Name and address of the patient.
- 4. Rx- 'Recipe'-to take.
- 5. The name and dose of the medicine.
- 6. Direction to the pharmacist.
- 7. Instruction for the patient.
- 8. Refill, special labeling and / or other instruction
- 9. Signature of the doctor.

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## Parts of Prescription

An ideal prescription should have the following parts:-

- 1. Superscription
- 2. Inscription
- 3. Subscription
- 4. Transcription
- 5. Signature

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## Parts of Prescription

- Superscription: includes: Information about the prescriber.
  Information about the patient. Rx (it means 'take it!')
- Inscription: Inscription gives the information about the name of the drug (generic or trade name), and its formulation, unit dosage.
- Subscription: provides information to the pharmacists about the quantity and dosage form of the drug to be dispensed.
- Transcription: is the prescribers direction to the patient contains instruction about the amount of drug, time and frequency of doses to be taken.
- Signature: Prescription should be signed by the prescriber.

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(1) Dr. X Date: MBBS. MD (Cardiology) Address: Patients Name: Mr. Y Age: 60 years Sex: Male Address: (2) Tab. Cardopril (25 mg) (4)Before meal (40 days) 1/4 + 0 + 1/4 -Tab. Disprin CV - 100 (3) 0 + 1 + 0 -After meal (30 days) (5) Prescribers Signature

#### **Abbreviations**

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- Route of administration (im, id, iv, sc, po)
- Dosage Form (amp, aq, caps, supp, tabs, sol, susp, syp)
- Time (od, bid, qid, hs, prn, sos, q, ac, pc, h/hr)
- Measurement (gtt, gm, l, qs, mcg, ml)
- Others: stat

AD- right ear AS- left ear AU- both ear OD- right eye OS- left eye OU- both eye

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