

Interview 1:

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1: Have you ever had to manage medication either for yourself or someone else?

Yes

2: How many people have you cared for at one given time?

3-4 per shift

3: On average, how many medications do you have to keep track of per person?

Per shift, 6 medications

4: What tools do/did you use to track medication times/instructions/etc?

EPIC - electronic health record system, that tracks times they are due and administered, printed out for families

5: Have you ever heard of medication caps with timers? (show pictures)

No

6: Have you ever used them? Do you think they would be helpful for at-home management?

Yes

7: What was/is the hardest part of caregiving/medication management?

Easy at hospital

in-home setting, hard to keep track of what they look like when to take them, and interactions with medications

8: On average, how often did you/someone you were caring for miss their medication? This includes late or missing dosages.

Not often in the hospital setting

1-2 times during 7 week period

9: If the person you are caring for misses a dose (including late), would you track this? If so, how?

Hospital setting, document time late, missed a dose - give asap after realizing it was late

Home setting, not sure, take next dose

10: (Healthcare professionals): For outpatient treatment, how can you tell if someone has been taking their medication properly?

Interview, can tell from symptoms, sometimes people admit to missing dosages, some parents lie, but there are some clear signs

11: If you were feeling stressed or overwhelmed, would you know where to find resources for assistance or advice?

Yes

12: Is there anything else you would like us to know about medication management?

Elderly population will have difficulty managing apps, hospital recommends apps for families going home with multiple medications, examples of what medication looks like, descriptions and diagrams on how to manage it, can print/save, can track through app.

Interview 2:

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1: Have you ever had to manage medication either for yourself or someone else?

Yes, mother's

2: How many people have you cared for at one given time?

1

3: On average, how many medications do you have to keep track of per person?

5 medications

4: What tools do/did you use to track medication times/instructions/etc?

Paper notes

5: Have you ever heard of medication caps with timers? (show pictures)

Yes

6: Have you ever used them? Do you think they would be helpful for at-home management?

Never used them, would be helpful

7: What was/is the hardest part of caregiving/medication management?

Managing everything alone

8: On average, how often did you/someone you were caring for miss their medication? This includes late or missing dosages.

Late 1-2 times daily, missed about 1 per week

9: If the person you are caring for misses a dose (including late), would you track this? If so, how?

Would not track, just take asap or if really late just wait for the next dosage

10: (Healthcare professionals): For outpatient treatment, how can you tell if someone has been taking their medication properly?

N/A

11: If you were feeling stressed or overwhelmed, would you know where to find resources for assistance or advice?

No

12: Is there anything else you would like us to know about medication management?