

Are you currently taking any prescription or OTC medications?

Yes, taking 2 prescriptions.

What was the first thing you did after being prescribed medication?

Submit to pharmacy

How often do you take them?

Daily

Are they short or long term?

Long term

How many do you take?

1 pill per day

If taking multiple medications:

Do you research the drug before taking it?

Yes.

When do you do that research?

After picking prescription.

If yes, how do you conduct the research (online, doctor, friends)?

Google side effects to check if side effects are extreme. Both search online and consult doctor.

What are you looking for when researching (Doses, side effects, studies, alternatives, recalls)?

Other people's experiences, what effects they have experienced.

What is the most important factor to you?

Side effects.

What was your experience like researching the medication?

Check multiple sites to see if they line up. See more people experience.

Do you research the compatibility/interactivity between medications?

Yes. Use Internet.

If you research and find adverse effects / interactivity, will you still take the medication(s)?

- Depends on the effect
- Call the doctor to double check

At what point do you determine the side effects too severe?

- if most people haven't had that side effect.

Do you talk about interactivity between the medications with your doctor?

Yes.

Are you aware of or experience any side effects with the medications?

No.

Besides doctors/family, where else do you look for advice on medications?

Friends over family.

How do you remind yourself to take the drug(s)?

Put them on the counter before going to bed.

Does the drug manufacturer behind the medication matter to you?

No. Price has more effect on determining what brand/manufacturers.

How do you record what drugs to take when?

I don't record it myself.

If you are on a prescription, and you have to take an OTC medication due to unforeseen circumstances, what do you do to check if it's safe?

No, only if have adverse reactions will check but not before.

Have you helped a family member with their prescription or OTC medication?

Yeah.

What was your experience like?

Get mother weekly pill box – she has a bad memory

Did you have pain points?

No, just read package labels are clear enough.