

## PHARMACIST ASSESSMENT – ATOPIC DERMATITIS

### Patient

Name:	HSN:	
Address:	DOB:	<input type="checkbox"/> male <input type="checkbox"/> female
Telephone:	<input type="checkbox"/> Pregnant <input type="checkbox"/> Lactating	

### Medical History:

☐ Family history of atopic dermatitis or previous diagnosis with atopic dermatitis → helps confirm condition

### Drug History / Drug allergies:

- ☐ Any recent drug changes → consider symptoms as a possible adverse drug reaction
- ☐ Recent sun exposure while taking a photosensitizing drug → recommend changing medication, and/or refer

### Review of Symptoms

#### Any of the following red flags present?

- ☐ Large areas of skin involved (more than 30% of surface area)
  - ☐ Moderate or severe lesions on face
  - ☐ Signs or symptoms of an infection
  - ☐ Recent contact with unknown plant or exposure to chemicals
  - ☐ Recent contact with person with similar skin condition (consider other conditions, eg scabies, pediculosis)
- ☐ Yes → refer

#### Signs and symptoms consistent with atopic dermatitis?

- ☐ dry skin
- ☐ pruritus
- ☐ patches of redness, scaling, excoriations (scratches)
- ☐ weeping, crusting vesicles
- ☐ None of the above → Consider other conditions / refer

#### Location of the lesion(s):

\*Helps determine steroid potency to use (see treatment section)

#### Has any pharmacologic or non-pharmacologic treatment been used for symptoms?

- ☐ No ☐ Yes → What was tried?
- What was the effect?

## Treatment

- ☐ Non-pharmacologic: general measures, emollients, moisturizers combined with steroid options below
- ☐ OTC: hydrocortisone 0.5 to 1%\* cream or ointment, or Spectro Eczema Care® 0.05%  
\*Hydrocortisone 1% is prescription only if under 2 years old
- ☐ **Low or medium potency topical corticosteroid** (See guideline for list of options)
- **Infant:** all areas → prescribe low potency corticosteroid
  - **Older child, adult:** face, skin folds → prescribe low potency corticosteroid
  - **Older child, adult:** body, limbs, scalp → prescribe low to moderate potency corticosteroid

## Prescription Issued

Rationale for prescribing:

Rx (Name, strength, form):

Quantity (amount for 7 days, with one refill):

Dosage Directions:

pseudoDIN: 00951094

## Counseling

- ☐ May have prescription filled at pharmacy of choice ☐ PAR will be communicated to primary care provider as part of collaborative practice

- ☐ Instructions on general measures, trigger avoidance
- ☐ Expect relief of symptoms within 7 days; if no response or symptoms worsen, contact your pharmacist or care provider
- ☐ Continue corticosteroid use for 48 hours after symptoms resolve; if using moderate potency product, step down to low potency for a few days

## Follow-up scheduled in 7 days (date):

- ☐ In pharmacy ☐ Telephone
- ☐ Symptoms resolved → stop corticosteroid treatment, continue regular use of emollients
- ☐ Symptoms improving → counsel to continue corticosteroid treatment for up to another 7 days. If symptoms are not resolved within 14 days treatment contact your primary care provider
- ☐ Symptoms not improved or new lesions have appeared → Refer
- ☐ Tolerability issues with chosen formulation (eg. too greasy or irritating leading to non-adherence) → initiate more acceptable formulation for another 7 days and repeat follow-up

## Prescribing Pharmacist

Name:

Signature:

Pharmacy:

Telephone:

Fax:

Email:

Date:

Primary Care Provider:

Fax:

## Pharmacist Minor Ailment Prescribing Record

To

This document is to inform you I met with your patient below who presented with **atopic dermatitis**.

After an assessment, a prescription was issued for

The prescription details and rationale for my decision are documented below. This is for your information to keep your records for this patient up to date.

### Patient Demographics

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Telephone:	<input type="checkbox"/> Pregnant <input type="checkbox"/> Breastfeeding		

### Prescription Issued on

MEDICATION:

DIRECTIONS:

QUANTITY:

### Rationale for prescription / relevant patient information

I will follow-up with the patient on and discuss these items:

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### Prescribing Pharmacist

Name:	Signature:
Name of Pharmacy:	Telephone:
	Fax:
Email:	Date:

### Primary Care Provider notified

Name:	Fax:
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