Prescription Frequencies on ICCA

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| Key Concepts (in prescription pad) | |
| Start Time | The time from which the drug will be active on ICCA. The drug cannot be charted before this time. Start time can be altered by the prescriber and can be a time in the past. |
| Scheduled Time | The time of first dose. This is only relevant to scheduled medications, not to continuous infusions or PRN drugs. |

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| “x Hrly” (e.g. 6 hrly etc) | Prescribes drugs at regular intervals (e.g. 6 hourly).  The scheduled time will default to the start of the next hour (e.g. for a drug prescribed at 1425, the scheduled time will default to 1500). Each subsequent dose will follow at the allotted interval (e.g. 1500, 2100, 0300, 0900).  The prescriber can alter the Scheduled Time and the first and subsequent doses will change accordingly (e.g. Scheduled Time 1800, followed by 0000, 0600, 1200) |
| Once Daily (am) | Scheduled at 0800 daily |
| Once Daily (pm) | Scheduled at 1800 daily |
| Once Daily (eve) | Scheduled at 2200 daily |
| Twice Daily (am and eve) | Scheduled 1000 and 2200 daily |
| Twice Daily (am and pm) | Scheduled 0600 and 1800 daily |
| Twice Daily (0700 and 1200) | Scheduled 0700 and 1200 daily |
| Three times Daily | Scheduled 0600, 1400 and 2200 daily |
| Four times Daily | Scheduled 0600, 1200, 1800, 0000 daily |
| Five times Daily | Scheduled 0600, 1000, 1400, 1800, 2200 daily |
| PRN dosing | PRN with max frequency selected (e.g. 4 hourly PRN) |
| Stat | Immediate dose (Start time cannot be changed from the current time; **only use for drugs to be given immediately**). |
| Once | Single, one off dose (start time can be changed from current time; can be used for one off doses that are to be given later). |
| Continuous; Continuous PRN; One time infusion | For infusions of drug or fluid. All behave in a similar way and allow the fluid/infusion to be charted on flowsheet until the order has been discontinued. |
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| Other Features to Consider | |
| Order Instructions | Use these for any additional instructions or conditions attached to the order (e.g. give with food; PRN indication – itch; withhold if HR <60). These instructions will appear on the drug administration chart. |