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# Awake in Philly

## Community Education Group

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### Medication Question Guide

Ask your health care provider these questions about each new medicine which is recommended or prescribed. Write the answers in the spaces provided.

**Use a separate sheet for each medicine.**

Name of Medication: \_\_\_\_\_

Directions for Use: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Prescription: \_\_\_\_\_

○ What are the brand and generic names of the medicine?

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○ Can I use a generic form?

Yes       No

○ What is the medicine for and what effect should I expect?

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

○ Does this drug replace any other medicine I have been using? If so, what:

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○ How and when will I use it, what amount will I use, and for how long?

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○ What do I do if I miss a dose?

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○ Should I avoid any other medicines, (prescription or over-the-counter), dietary supplements, drinks, foods or activities while using this drug?

Yes       No

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

○ When should I notice a difference or improvement? When should I report back?

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○ Will I need to have any testing to monitor this drug's effects?

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○ Can this medicine be used safely with all my other medications and therapies? Could there be interactions?

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○ What are the possible side effects? What do I do if a side effect occurs?

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○ How and where do I store this medicine?

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○ Where and how can I get written information about this medicine? What other sources of information can I use to learn about this medicine?

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Call 1-888-INFO-FDA or go to [http://www.fda.gov/cder/consumerinfo/active\\_member.htm](http://www.fda.gov/cder/consumerinfo/active_member.htm)

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