

***Request under Freedom of Information Act 2000***

Thank you for your request for information which we received on 15<sup>th</sup> May 2023  
I am pleased to confirm the following.

**Self-administration of medication policies**

**Does your hospital have a self-administration of medication policy?**

No, not a current one.

Y/N if yes:

**Does it enable all people with Parkinson's admitted to the hospital to be assessed to administer their own medication should they wish to do so?**

n/a

**Does your hospital have the necessary resources (e.g., lockable cupboards, staff training) to enact the self-administration of medication policy?**

n/a

**How many inpatient wards/departments is the self-administration of medication policy operational in out of the total number of inpatient wards/departments?**

n/a

**Training**

**Do you require inpatient hospital ward clinical staff who prescribe or administer medicine to complete training on medication management in Parkinson's?**

Yes, it is included in Mandatory Medicines Management Training which is undertaken every 2 years.

**Y/N If yes:**

**Is this training mandatory for staff who prescribe or administer medicine?**

Yes

**Please specify the name of this training and course provider.**

In-house eLearning programme (part of wider medicine's management training)

**What percentage of staff who prescribe or administer medicine have completed this training?**

94%

**Which types of clinicians are required to complete this training?**

Doctors, Nurses, Pharmacists, Pharmacy Technicians, any staff who handle medicines.

**How often do you require staff who prescribe or administer medicine to repeat this training?**

Every two years

**Do you require inpatient hospital ward clinical staff to complete training on time critical or time sensitive medications (including Parkinson's medication)? Y/N, if yes:**

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**E-prescribing**

**Does your hospital have e-prescribing? Y/N**

Yes

**Does it have the functionality to record when medication was administered in 30-minute intervals over a 24-hour period?**

Yes, exact administration time is recorded.

**Does it have the functionality to alert hospital ward staff when a patient's medication is due to be administered?**

Yes

**Does it have the functionality to alert hospital ward staff when a patient's medication is late in being administered?**

Yes

**Does your hospital have an electronic alert system to identify patients requiring time critical medication? If yes, please list the health conditions included as requiring time critical medication?**

Yes

**Does your hospital use an e-prescribing system to regularly run reports of delayed medication doses and 'drugs not available' for Parkinson's medication?**

No, however a report is run every morning to identify patients on PD meds in the hospital so they can be prioritised for medicines reconciliation.

Other

**Are Parkinson's medications available to clinical staff 24 hours a day, seven days a week? (e.g. this medication is stocked in an emergency medicines cabinet)**

Yes. PD medications are stocked on the wards, in the emergency cupboard and available via the on-call pharmacist.

**Do you have a system in place to ensure people with Parkinson's get their medication on time while waiting to be seen in the Accident and Emergency department?**

Yes. PD medications are stocked on the wards, in the emergency cupboard and available via the on-call pharmacist.

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Yours sincerely,

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