

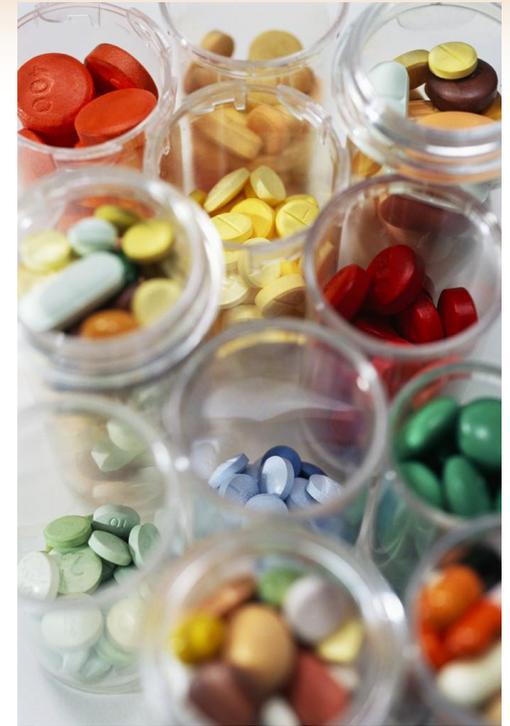
Who Benefits from Medication Management?

Nearly half of all American adults – 90 million people – have difficulty understanding and acting on health information. This is especially true among our nation’s seniors. Almost 40% of seniors are unable to read prescription labels; 76% are unable to understand information given to them.

If any of the following statements describes you or your loved one, then medication management might be the right choice.

- ü High risk of noncompliance to treatment regime including forgetting to take medications or not finishing the treatment.
- ü A need for monitoring drug interactions.
- ü Serious and persistent mental illness.
- ü Exacerbation of chronic mental illness.
- ü Behavioral or emotional problems exacerbated by physical illness.
- ü Physical disability preventing medication compliance.
- ü Alzheimer’s Disease or other Dementias
- ü Chronic pain and related depression.
- ü Anxiety and/or panic attacks.
- ü Frequent hospitalizations.
- ü Emotional crisis.
- ü Family members and caregivers in need of support and education.

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Care Description

When medication management services are requested, Compassionate Care's nurses follow specific guidelines. These guidelines are intended to provide the client with a sense of safety and security.

Medication Management can be performed weekly, bi-weekly or as often as the client requires it. During the visit, Compassionate Care's licensed nurse will do the following:

- § Monitor the client's vital signs.
- § Review the client's medication needs.
- § Dispense the medications into a weekly pill box.
- § Check effectiveness of the medications.
- § Review side effects.
- § Reorder medications as needed.
- § Consult the client's doctor with any concerns noted.

Why Medication Management?

Medications are important tools necessary for therapeutic and medical needs. With certain medications, an individual is able to lead a normal life without having to deal with pain or other symptoms related to specific diseases or illnesses.

According to the American Heart Association, 32 million Americans take three or more medications daily. Trying to interpret the prescription orders can be quite confusing. In fact, it can be dangerous, even deadly if not read properly.

- § At any given time, regardless of age group, up to 59% of those on five or more medications are taking them improperly.
- § 23% of all nursing home admissions are due to patients failing to take prescriptions accurately.
- § The average length of stay in a hospital due to medication noncompliance is 4.2 days.

Hiring an agency, such as Compassionate Care, will allow you or your loved one to safely take their medications while remaining in the comfort of their own home. A licensed nurse will ensure medication safety while coordinating care with you or your loved one's physician.

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