

Reinforce Medication Safety
at the Point of Dispensing

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A prescription error can be a pharmacist's worst nightmare. Medication errors cause everything from minor discomfort to severe complications, illness and even death every year. Ensuring patient safety is a pharmacist's greatest priority, and the pharmacist's expert judgment is the number-one key to preventing errors. But in a busy pharmacy, tools to assess the complex variability of prescribing and dispensing can help mitigate potential errors.

The Solution

RelayHealth offers RxSafety Advisor™ to RelayHealth Pharmacy Network customers as a powerful solution for managing medication safety. By checking for potential mistakes during the dispensing process, RxSafety Advisor reinforces your clinical expertise with proven technology so you can dispense with additional confidence.

Features of RxSafety Advisor

- Screening for standard look-alike/sound-alike drug pairs at no cost to participating pharmacies
- Works with existing pharmacy management systems
- Supports requirements of state quality assurance programs
- Provides medication safety best practices from the Institute for Safe Medical Practices Community Pharmacy Self-Assessment

Benefits of RxSafety Advisor

- Reduce risk for dosing and dispensing errors from standard LASA pairs
- Increase patient safety
- Increase customer confidence and loyalty
- Enhance staff productivity
- Increase regulatory compliance

Reduce Risk for Dosing/Dispensing Errors with RxSafety Advisor

Screenings for look-alike/sound-alike (LASA) drug pairs, along with dose checking, are offered free of charge to participating pharmacies. By providing this complimentary service, RelayHealth can extend safe dispensing to as many patients as possible.

Double Trouble

Examples of drug names that look or sound alike:

Tramadol

Tramadol (analgesic)

Trazodone

Trazodone (antidepressant)

Hydralazine

Hydralazine (cardiovascular)

Hydroxyzine

Hydroxyzine (antihistamine)

Sulfadiazine

Sulfadiazine (anti-infective)

Sulfasalazine

Sulfasalazine (gastrointestinal, anti-inflammatory)

Lamivudine

Lamivudine (antiretroviral)

Lamotrigine

Lamotrigine (anticonvulsant)

Automated Checking During Dispense

RxSafety Advisor examines NDC numbers, dispensing quantities, days' supplies and cross-references this data against absolute minimum and maximum safe dosing, clinical significance scoring and likelihood scoring to indicate the probability of a LASA medication error. When combined with your judgment, this presents a robust barrier against medication errors.

Provide Additional Safety with Premium Services

Participating pharmacies can subscribe to Premium services for even greater screening benefits, including dose screening for pediatric (ages one through twelve) and geriatric (sixty-five years and older) patients. You also receive reporting for a retrospective analysis of safety alerts and response to alerts.

Additionally, you'll receive access to an expandable LASA pairs list and you can even request new LASA pairs to be added – at no additional charge.

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