



# MEDICATION ADHERENCE

## *Checklist for Healthcare Providers*

A review or discussion of medications reduces confusion, misconceptions and errors. Below is a checklist that will help ensure that medications are taken by the patient as prescribed.

### CHECKLIST

- ☐ Name of the medication (brand name and generic) was provided.
- ☐ Written material was provided.
- ☐ Allergies to this or any other medication was reviewed.
- ☐ Medication's specific use was discussed.
- ☐ Patient clearly understands medication taking times, e.g., what four times a day or before meals actually means.
- ☐ Benefits of taking the medication was discussed.
- ☐ Patient understands the consequences of not taking the medication as prescribed.
- ☐ Length of time medication is expected to be taken was discussed.
- ☐ Affordability and cost of medication was discussed.
- ☐ Patient is aware of side effects, risks and precautions of taking the medication including what they currently know and how they feel about possible side effects.
- ☐ Patient is knowledgeable of proper storage of medication.
- ☐ Patient has repeated back medication plan to close the loop.
- ☐ Followed up with patient to ensure what was discussed and agreed upon is still working.