

Name: _____ DOB: _____ Date: _____

Medication/Dosage	Instructions	Diagnosis/ Reason	Length of Time Since Prescribed	Date Filled	Qty Filled	Refills	Current Count	Shortage/ Overage	Prescriber

Notes:

Signature of Individual Prescribed Medications: _____ Date: _____

Counted by and witness_____ Print name_____



INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE OF FORM

CS-1155

Caregiver Prescribed Medication Log

The Caregiver Prescribed Medication Log is a tool designed to facilitate conversation with caregivers regarding their prescribed medications and aid DCS staff in the assessment and determination of any need or risk associated with the use or misuse of such medications or related alcohol and drug (A&D) issues.

1. DCS staff initiates discussion with caregiver regarding prescribed medications and explains the need for inquiring about this information as a global assessment of safety and risk within the home.

2. DCS staff requests to observe and count the medication, charting all relevant information of each on the medication log.

- Request the prescribed individual to handle their own medication during this process. DCS staff should avoid handling medications if possible and never do so without the use of proper safety gloves. (Refer to [Fentanyl Safety Notice](#).)
- Account for medications stored in different locations, such as pill boxes or other containers.
- Note how and where the medications are stored and use this opportunity to discuss safety around medication storage as related to accessibility and children in the home.
- Often the medication's/pill's physical description will be included on the prescription bottle. Be sure the description matches with the observed medication. Be mindful of decoys being used. For example, white Tylenol pills used in an attempt to pass for white Hydrocodone pills.
- With each medication logged, include the brand name and generic name.
- Discuss with the individual when the medication was originally prescribed and why it was prescribed. Ask if they feel they are dependent on the medication or if it causes any issues in their daily life (e.g., drowsiness, dizziness, sleep issues, etc.) and especially as it relates to providing appropriate care for children in the home.
- If there is an overage or shortage in the medication related to date filled vs. date counted, discuss this with the individual. Account for medications that allow for use as needed (e.g., Take 1 tablet every 4-6 hours as needed for pain). Overages can be as much concern as shortages, especially as related to mental health medications.
- Photograph Rx bottles/medication as needed for evidence/documentation needs.

3. After completion of the log and discussion with the prescribed individual, request they sign the form to indicate agreement of the information collected.

4. Additionally, DCS staff should request a release of information to speak with the medical provider/prescriber for any medication in which additional information or confirmation is needed.