

Is your pharmacy wait time too long? This may be the reason.

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Have you ever handed in your prescription at your local pharmacy and waited what seemed like forever to get your medication?

Watch Sagikor Life's recent interview on Smile Jamaica then read more below on clear and complete prescriptions.



This may be your pharmacist trying their best to decode your doctor's handwriting or searching for their contact information to call them and verify what is written on your prescription. Waiting, however, is a small price to pay once your doctor is contacted and your prescription is now understood by the pharmacist. Incorrect and unclear prescriptions can cause several implications.

Incorrect or unclear **PRESCRIPTIONS** can cause:

- Prescription and/or dosage errors
- Inconvenience to patients and pharmacists
- Delay in drug treatment
- Non-compliance with medication instructions
- Insurance fraud



Sagacor Life is therefore urging you to have a talk with your doctor when they are writing your prescription to ensure it is **CLEAR, CORRECT AND COMPLETE**. Take note of the medication/s being prescribed, the dosage and share all allergies.

Most importantly review the prescription to ensure that **The Doctor's Name, Doctor's Registration Number, Contact Number, and Signature** are present. Below is an example of a complete prescription.

An example of a complete prescription form is shown. The form includes fields for Patient Name (Jane Doe), Address (1 Linton Rd, Corner City), Date (4/2/2020), Patient's Age (25), Medication name (Strength), Amount to take and How often, How much medication to be provided, Number of refills, Doctor's Name (Dr. Mosley), Doctor's Registration # (000000000), Doctor's Tel # (876-000-0000), and Doctor's Signature. A circular stamp with "Dr. Mosley, M.D." and a dollar sign is also present.

Remember your health is your responsibility. Make sure your prescriptions are **CLEAR, CORRECT AND COMPLETE**. If you can't read it, how will your Pharmacist?

Make Sure your **Prescription is**



Clear



Correct



Complete

