Screenshots of The 7-step medication review guideline for EMIS.

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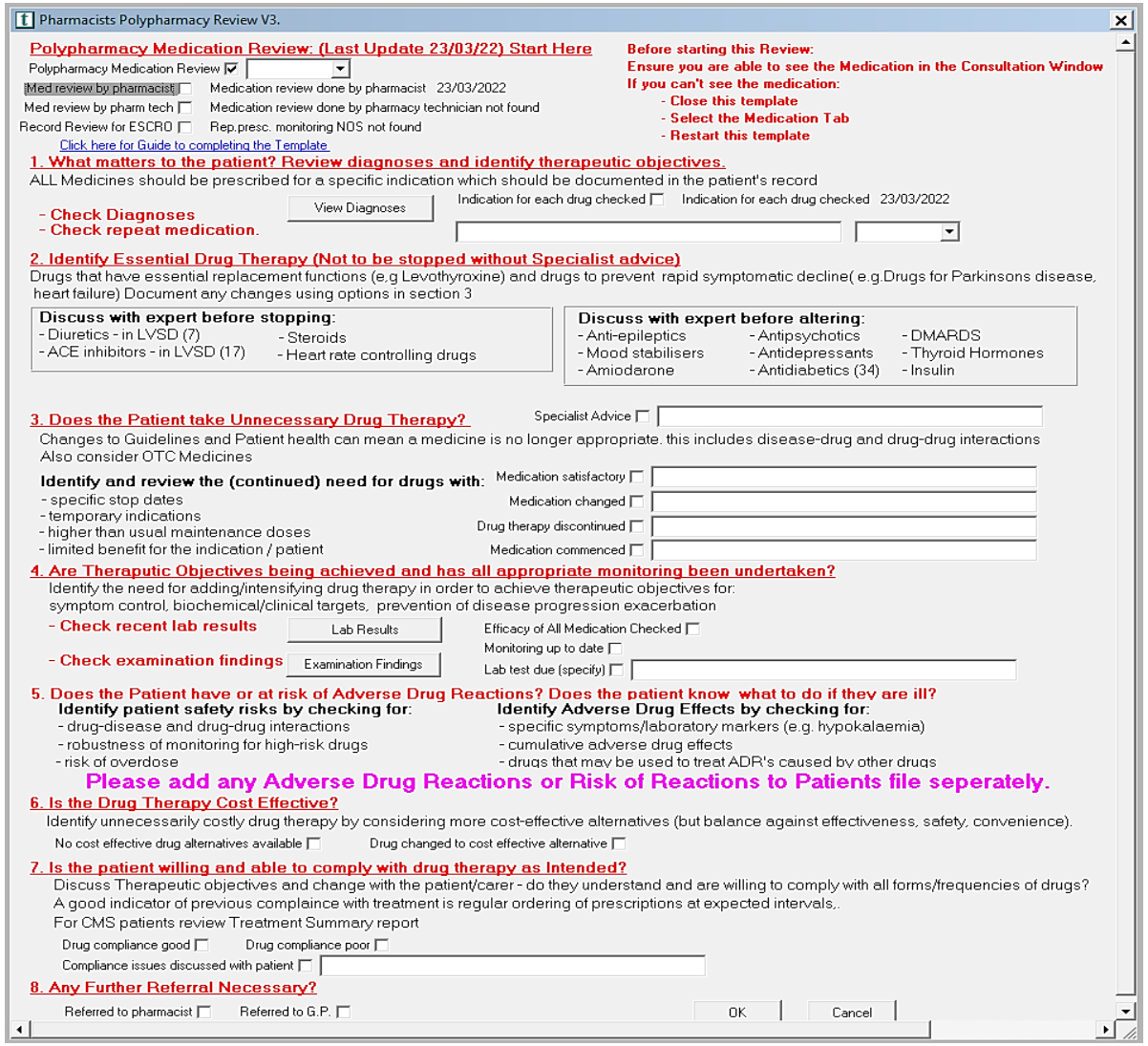
EMIS Template



Pharmacists Polypharmacy Review V3.

Polypharmacy Medication Review: (Last Update 23/03/22) Start Here

Polypharmacy Medication Review ☑

Med review by pharmacist ☐ Medication review done by pharmacist 23/03/2022

Med review by pharm tech ☐ Medication review done by pharmacy technician not found

Record Review for ESCRO ☐ Rep.presc. monitoring NOS not found

Click here for Guide to completing the Template

Before starting this Review:
Ensure you are able to see the Medication in the Consultation Window
If you can't see the medication:
- **Close this template**
- **Select the Medication Tab**
- **Restart this template**

1. What matters to the patient? Review diagnoses and identify therapeutic objectives.

ALL Medicines should be prescribed for a specific indication which should be documented in the patient's record

- **Check Diagnoses**
- **Check repeat medication.**

View Diagnoses

Indication for each drug checked ☐ Indication for each drug checked 23/03/2022

2. Identify Essential Drug Therapy (Not to be stopped without Specialist advice)

Drugs that have essential replacement functions (e.g Levothyroxine) and drugs to prevent rapid symptomatic decline(e.g.Drugs for Parkinsons disease, heart failure) Document any changes using options in section 3

Discuss with expert before stopping:
- Diuretics - in LVSD (7)
- ACE inhibitors - in LVSD (17)
- Steroids
- Heart rate controlling drugs

Discuss with expert before altering:
- Anti-epileptics
- Mood stabilisers
- Amiodarone
- Antipsychotics
- Antidepressants
- Antidiabetics (34)
- DMARDS
- Thyroid Hormones
- Insulin

3. Does the Patient take Unnecessary Drug Therapy?

Specialist Advice ☐

Changes to Guidelines and Patient health can mean a medicine is no longer appropriate. this includes disease-drug and drug-drug interactions
Also consider OTC Medicines

Identify and review the (continued) need for drugs with:
- specific stop dates
- temporary indications
- higher than usual maintenance doses
- limited benefit for the indication / patient

Medication satisfactory ☐
Medication changed ☐
Drug therapy discontinued ☐
Medication commenced ☐

4. Are Theraputic Objectives being achieved and has all appropriate monitoring been undertaken?

Identify the need for adding/intensifying drug therapy in order to achieve therapeutic objectives for:
symptom control, biochemical/clinical targets, prevention of disease progression exacerbation

- **Check recent lab results** — Lab Results
- **Check examination findings** — Examination Findings

Efficacy of All Medication Checked ☐
Monitoring up to date ☐
Lab test due (specify) ☐

5. Does the Patient have or at risk of Adverse Drug Reactions? Does the patient know what to do if they are ill?

Identify patient safety risks by checking for:
- drug-disease and drug-drug interactions
- robustness of monitoring for high-risk drugs
- risk of overdose

Identify Adverse Drug Effects by checking for:
- specific symptoms/laboratory markers (e.g. hypokalaemia)
- cumulative adverse drug effects
- drugs that may be used to treat ADR's caused by other drugs

Please add any Adverse Drug Reactions or Risk of Reactions to Patients file seperately.

6. Is the Drug Therapy Cost Effective?

Identify unnecessarily costly drug therapy by considering more cost-effective alternatives (but balance against effectiveness, safety, convenience).

No cost effective drug alternatives available ☐ Drug changed to cost effective alternative ☐

7. Is the patient willing and able to comply with drug therapy as Intended?

Discuss Therapeutic objectives and change with the patient/carer - do they understand and are willing to comply with all forms/frequencies of drugs?
A good indicator of previous complaince with treatment is regular ordering of prescriptions at expected intervals,.
For CMS patients review Treatment Summary report

Drug compliance good ☐ Drug compliance poor ☐

Compliance issues discussed with patient ☐

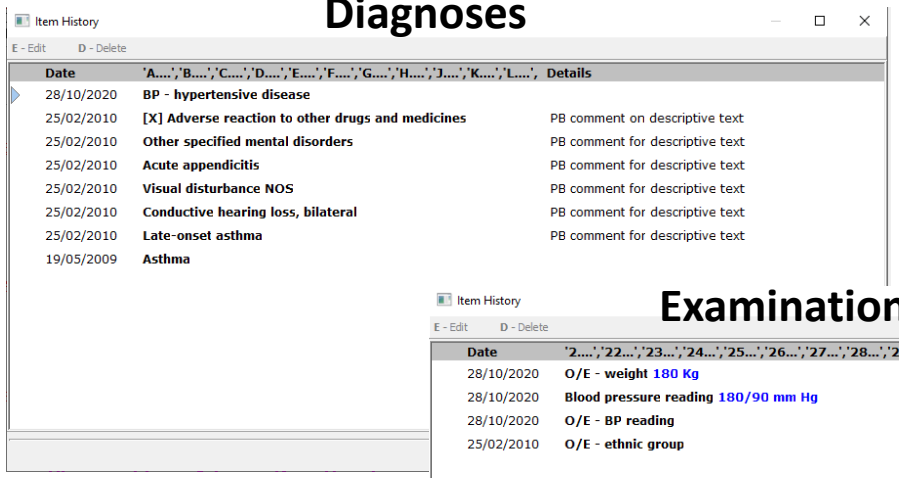
8. Any Further Referral Necessary?

Referred to pharmacist ☐ Referred to G.P. ☐

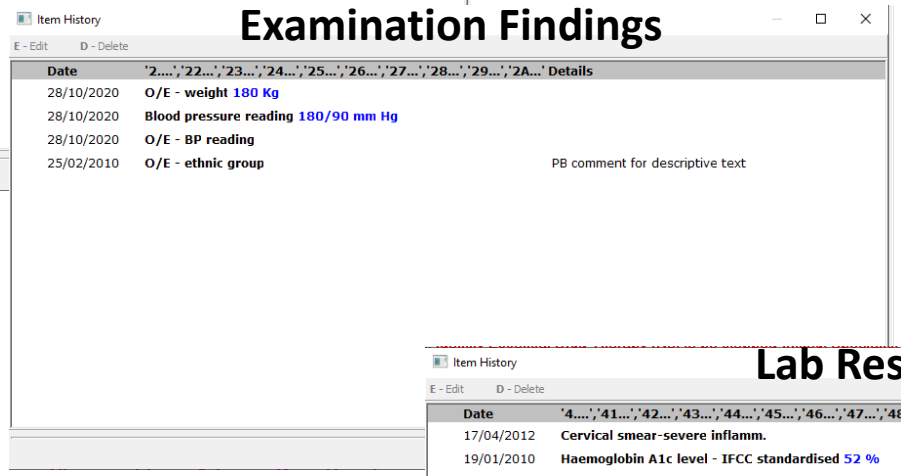
OK Cancel

Views of the ‘buttons’

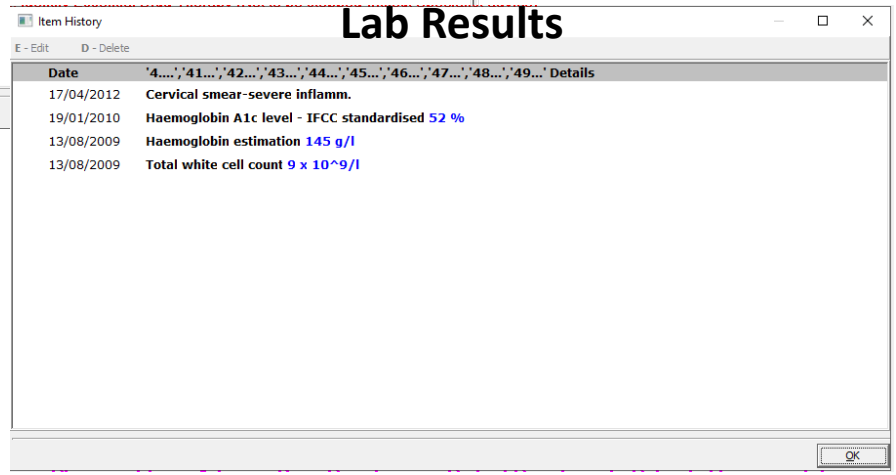
Diagnoses



Examination Findings



Lab Results



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