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ePrescribing and Active Script List

ePrescribing (Electronic Scripts)

Electronic prescribing allows healthcare providers and consumers to use an electronic prescription as an alternative to paper prescriptions. It is a digital version of a paper prescription. A unique token or QR code is sent to the patient either via SMS or email. The patient can choose to have either a paper prescription or an electronic prescription but not both at the same time. The patient will get a separate token for each medicine. If they have repeats on their prescription, their pharmacy will send a new token for their next repeat.

Benefits:

- Provides an alternative choice for patients
- Convenient
- Supplements delivery of telehealth
- Maintains patient privacy
- Reduces the risk of lost paper prescriptions. As the electronic prescription is linked to the
 token, it can only be downloaded once. Therefore, the risk of safety and quality and fraudulent
 activity is greatly reduced.
- Reduces administrative burden for healthcare providers and organisations.

Active Script List - ASL

An Active Script List (also known as MySL – My Script List) is a token management solution that contains a consolidated list of a patient's active prescriptions. Patients will need to register for an Active Script List by visiting a pharmacy that is enabled to offer this service. To complete the registration process, a patient must provide consent. The registration process involves the patient accepting the Terms and Conditions and agreeing that all prescriptions will be added to their ASL unless they ask their prescriber not to add a specific prescription. Once a patient has registered for ASL, any electronic prescriptions issued will be sent directly to their Active Script List. The patient no longer needs to manage their own ePrescriptions. They can go to their Pharmacy of their choice, with a form of identification and the Pharmacy will be able to access their ASL and dispense the scripts.

Benefits:

- patients no longer need to keep track of the SMS or email tokens; this information will now be stored in one consolidated list.
- It overcomes the issue of misplacing token/s and the need for them to be reissued, and
- it may be more convenient for patients who take multiple medicines.

Read more about electronic prescribing and Active Script List here

Introduction to the Active Script List for Healthcare Providers (Animation) - Click here





