


Sending Inpatient MDIs and Other Bulk Medications Home at Discharge

The labels for metered-dose inhalers (MDIs), bulk creams and ointments, bulk eye and ear drops, and insulin will change to allow the medication to be sent home with the patient at discharge if prescribed.

Previously, these medications had to be sent to the outpatient pharmacy to be relabeled with an outpatient label before they could be sent home with the patient at discharge. The revised Cerner label, together with the supplemental label (which is applied in the pharmacy with initial dispensing), meets all the requirements for a legal, outpatient prescription label.

Both the new label and the supplemental label will instruct the user to "Use as directed". Patients should be instructed to follow the specific dosage instructions from their asthma action plan for MDIs and discharge instructions/prescriptions for other bulk medications. The revised Cerner label, together with the supplemental label (which is applied in the pharmacy with initial dispensing),

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Use as directed. Manuf: Novation Prescribed by: Madsen RN – CNP, Linda B	
S G PICU – M – 5101 – 01	MRN: 4587107
Albuterol MDI Use As Directed (Ventolin HFA)	
	Fill: 08/08/16 1511
Shake well before use. RT to administer Delivers 90 mcg/puff... Inhalation BULK	Send: 1 Dose(s) Waste: A CE111695 3939f ---