



High risk medications 'APINCHS'

A pinch in time, saves lives

Take the time to ensure safe prescribing, administration and dispensing of these high risk medications!

Refer to available information and guidelines.

- A** Antimicrobials, Antiarrhythmics
- P** Potassium and other electrolytes; Psychotropic medications
- I** Insulin
- N** Narcotics/opioids and other sedatives
- C** Chemotherapeutic agents
- H** Heparin, other anticoagulants and thrombolytics
- S** Systems (e.g. safe administration of liquid medications)

Remember that **all** medications carry risk of adverse events if prescribed, administered or dispensed inappropriately.