



# Prescription Drug Safety Information

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## PHARMACIES

Pharmacies are required to provide a warning sheet for every drug given to customers. The warning sheets provide information on the safe use of a prescribed drug, warnings about potential side effects, and other safety information. Patients should read these sheets before taking the prescription and call the pharmacist or doctor with any questions.

## PHYSICIAN DESK REFERENCE

Information about prescription drugs can be found in the Physicians Desk Reference, a reference book used by doctors and pharmacists. This reference tool is available at any library. An online version is available to the public for a membership fee.

## MEDLINE PLUS

Consumers can also find safety information on prescription medications on the internet at the National Library of Medicine website,

<http://www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/druginformation.html>.

## U.S. FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION

Consumers can find safety information on prescription medications by calling the FDA's information line, 888-INFO-FDA or by searching on the FDA website, <https://www.fda.gov/drugs/resources-you/drug-information-consumers>.

## HOW TO FIND PROVIDERS IN CONNECTICUT'S COMMUNITY RESOURCES DATABASE:

Search by service name:

[Consumer Safety Standards](#).

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