

Our Medication Management Products make it easy to comply with JCAHO's "Do Not Use" Medical Abbreviation Requirements

Revised to comply with JCAHO's 2006 National Patient Safety Goals

Do Your Part for PATIENT SAFETY

DO NOT USE Medical Abbreviations

Medical errors are the fourth most common cause of patient deaths in the United States. To help reduce the number of errors related to incorrect use of terminology, JCAHO has issued a list of abbreviations, acronyms, and symbols that should no longer be used. This action supports one of JCAHO's national patient safety goals: to improve the effectiveness of communications among caregivers. The abbreviations below should not be used in patient medical records.

NO.	ABBREVIATION	PROBLEM	SOLUTION
1	u (unit)	Mistaken for 0 (zero), the number 4 (four) or cc.	Write <i>unit</i>
2	IU (International Unit)	Mistaken for IV (intravenous) or the number 10 (ten).	Write <i>international unit</i>
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▲ COUNTER CARD

JCAHO requires a "minimum list" of dangerous abbreviations, acronyms and symbols be included on each accredited organization's "do not use" list.

Each of our Medication Management products list JCAHO's 5 required abbreviations. Use our Pocket-Guide for training and our Poster and Counter Cards to remind your staff to NOT use these abbreviations.

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DO NOT USE

Do Not Use Abbreviations apply to all orders and all medication-related documentation that is handwritten (including free-text computer entry) or on pre-printed forms.

Exception: A "trailing zero" may be used only where required to demonstrate the level of precision of the value being reported, such as for laboratory results, or to indicate a specific amount size of lesions, or catheter/tube sizes. It may not be used in medication orders or other medication-related documentation.

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Dangerous Medical Abbreviations

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POCKET-GUIDE

Front

Back

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We've just updated our Pocket-Guides and enlarged the type to make reading easier.





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 and 24 x 36” and can be purchased with 3 different finishes:*


Posters

Laminated: Color poster with gloss lamination on both sides and adhesive mounting squares.

		DNU-138-1620L: 16 x 20” Poster	Each	6 to 12	\$24.44 ea.
				13 to 20	\$22.00 ea.
				21+	\$19.55 ea.
		DNU-138-2436L: 24 x 36” Poster	Each	6 to 12	\$47.16 ea.
				13 to 20	\$42.44 ea.
				21+	\$37.72 ea.
Minimum Order 6 Posters					

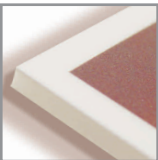
HealthTex: Repositionable Adhesive Fabric:

Color poster printed on our exclusive HealthTex™ adhesive fabric. It's waterproof and tearproof and features repositionable adhesive that will never lose its ability to stick. Plus it won't damage paint or wood and can be used both indoors and out.

		DNU-138-1620F: 16 x 20” Poster	Each	6 to 12	\$28.51 ea.
				13 to 20	\$25.66 ea.
				21+	\$22.81 ea.
		DNU-138-2436F: 24 x 36” Poster	Each	6 to 12	\$53.15 ea.
				13 to 20	\$47.83 ea.
				21+	\$42.52 ea.
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Laminated and Mounted:



Color poster mounted to 3/16” white foam core with a laminated crystal matte finish. Poster includes adhesive mounting squares. Framing is also available - call for details and pricing.

		DNU-138-1620M: 16 x 20” Poster	Each	6 to 12	\$36.15 ea.
				13 to 20	\$32.54 ea.
				21+	\$28.92 ea.
		DNU-138-2436M: 24 x 36” Poster	Each	6 to 12	\$70.21 ea.
				13 to 20	\$63.19 ea.
				21+	\$56.17 ea.
Minimum Order 6 Posters					




Counter Card

Laminated and Mounted:

Color counter card mounted to 3/16” white foam core with a laminated crystal matte finish. Counter card includes easel back.

		DNU-137: 10 x 12” Counter Card	Each	6 to 12	\$24.19 ea.
				13 to 20	\$22.25 ea.
				21+	\$20.47 ea.
Minimum Order 6 Counter Cards					

Pocket-Guide

		DNU-140: 6 x 4” Color Pocket-Guide , printed in full-color on two sides and laminated with rounded corners.	Each	20 to 150	\$3.83 ea.
				151 to 350	\$3.45 ea.
				351+	\$3.06 ea.
Minimum Order 20 Guides					
New! Add a grommet with key chain to our Pocket-Guides 		DNU-140G: Pocket-Guide with Grommet & Key Chain	Set	20 to 150	\$5.08 ea.
				151 to 350	\$4.65 ea.
				351+	\$4.17 ea.
Minimum Order 20 Sets					

Prices and manufacturing specifications are subject to change without notice. This price list is effective as of 07/2005.

