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Making sure there are enough medicines in the home

Always keep enough medicines in the home.

- It is recommended that enough medicines for at least 3 days are always available in the home.
- It may take a couple of days for prescription medicines to arrive at the pharmacy after they are ordered. It may take much longer in rural and remote locations.
- Check the supply of medicines in the home regularly and let the doctor, nurse or pharmacist know if stocks are running low.

Check how your pharmacy can help.

Generic brands of medicine may be available.

- Pharmacies may offer different brands, or generic brands of medicines. A generic brand of the medicine does not change the way the medicine works when given at the same dose and in the same way.
- Generic medicine may be cheaper than brand-name medicines.

Some pharmacies offer an after-hours service.

Some pharmacies offer home delivery.











