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To promote the practical use of Auxiliary labels in Korean pharmacies

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Although many of us are well aware of the importance of using auxiliary labels as another mode of communication to our patients to provide additional information that may improve their outcome, regrettably, many pharmacists yet have this concept in Korea. Korean Community Pharmacy Section which is belong to The Pharmaceutical Society of Korea generated auxiliary labels to promote its usage but the majority of Korean pharmacists fail to use them in their daily practices. We must provide an intensive educational program to educate the pharmacists to increase our awareness of utilizing this simple but necessary communication tool. Providing the roll of auxiliary labels may not only improve patient outcome but may also encourage the pharmacists to finally computer-process the prescriptions as are in more developed countries. In the United States, the auxiliary label use has statistically shown to be a benefit. This system will improve the effectiveness of medication and safety for patients in Korea as well.

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Introduction of Auxiliary labeling

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Patients" consultation is regarded as one of the most important roles of a pharmacist and the function becomes crucial when patients are seeking advice on the use of medication. Dispensing medication no longer consists of the central job; rather, roles of pharmacists such as giving patient information of medication or consulting to the patient are becoming more significant. Since auxiliary labeling on the bottle or dispensing envelope may help the patient"s correct medication management, experimental usage of the auxiliary label was carried out in the pharmacy where I work for. The outcome of our trial resulted patients" satisfaction on their medication. Advantages of using auxiliary label are as follows: First of all, a special direction, a suggestion for storage or manifestation of side effects and the other patient information about medication is reminded to the patient, otherwise, which may be forgotten. Secondly, several colors of blue, red, yellow and green were