

# MORNING CMO REPORT

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## E Prescribing

Applies to All Physicians

Not sure everyone is aware but as of **Sunday March 27<sup>th</sup> NY State requires all controlled substances to be electronically prescribed to the retail (all) pharmacies.**

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The **Help Desk (4-4115)** can help to facilitate an account set up if you have not yet gone through this process.

More information can be found at

[https://www.health.ny.gov/professionals/narcotic/electronic\\_prescribing/docs/epcs\\_faqs.pdf](https://www.health.ny.gov/professionals/narcotic/electronic_prescribing/docs/epcs_faqs.pdf)

## E Prescribing

Now that controlled substances are required to be **e prescribed** it is extremely important to have the patient's preferred pharmacy listed in EPIC. **E PRESCRIBING OF ALL MEDICATIONS IS HIGHLY ENCOURAGED.**

The screenshot shows the EPIC E-prescribing interface. A red circle highlights the 'Pharmacy' field for a medication, which is currently set to 'AD-4881 S SALINA ST - SYRACUSE, NY - 4881 SOUTH SALINA STREET'. A blue oval highlights the 'Review Prior to Admission Medications' section, which includes a warning: 'This is a list of the patient's home medications. Please verify the list and add new medications as needed.'

## Review PTA Meds

When performing medication reconciliation during the patient's admission interview, please verify the patient's preferred pharmacy. If a pharmacy is listed please confirm it is still their preference, if not click the **PHARMACY** button and search for local pharmacies.

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## Outstanding Physician Comments

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Each week we receive written comments from our patients regarding the care we provide within the Hospital. Below are this week's comments from grateful patients receiving care on the units and clinics at Upstate:

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**ENT – Community Campus** – Dr. Nicholas always explained my medical issues and potential options depending on my healing path. He and his team were always courteous and respectful and a pleasure to deal with during my hospital stay and follow up visits.

**UHCC Neurology** – Dr. Vertino is friendly, thorough, and genuinely cares about me.

**Joslin** – Dr. Stred is compassionate and supportive.

**UHCC Neurology** – Dr. Berg is the kindest, most empathetic and informative doctor we have seen in a while.

**Transplant Center** – Dr. Narsipur is very kind, concerned, very knowledgeable and helpful. He came to see me every day!

**Upstate Urology** – Dr. Makhuli treated me very well.

**6B** – Dr. Bhatta – excellent!

**2N** – Dr. Krishnamurthy was outstanding!

**9E** – Dr. Latorre and his medical staff are top notch!

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