

Interventions for Minimizing Drug Misuse based on Patient Risk*

Patient Risk	Interventions
<u>Low Risk</u> for misuse	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Education, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Abuse Potential ○ Consequences of sharing or selling ○ Interactions with illicit substances ○ Safe storage • Check prescription monitoring program
<u>High Risk</u> for misuse	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Education • Check prescription monitoring program • Use delayed release preparations • Prescribe small quantities at a time
<u>Red-flag¹</u> for misuse	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Education • Check prescription monitoring program • Pill counts at each visit or at random • Urine drug screens <p>¹<i>Red-flag behavior: missed appointments, early refill requests, appearing intoxicated at visit, requesting dose increase.</i></p>

*Adapted from: Modesto-Lowe, et al. Universal precautions to reduce stimulant misuse in treating Adult ADHD. *Cleveland Clinic Journal of Medicine*, August 2015.