



ScriptCheckSA



**Government
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ScriptCheckSA

What you need to know

Easy Read version



How to use this fact sheet



SA Health wrote this fact sheet. When you see the word 'we', it means SA Health.



We wrote this information in an easy to read way.

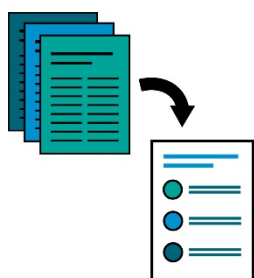
We use pictures to explain some ideas.

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We have written some words in **bold**.

This means the letters are thicker and darker.

We explain what these words mean.



This Easy Read fact sheet is a summary of another fact sheet. This means it only includes the most important ideas.



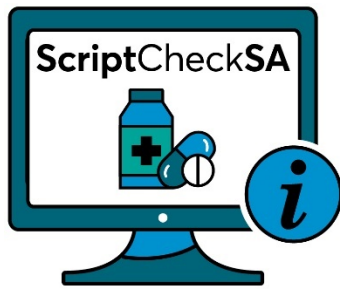
You can find the other fact sheet on our website at www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/scriptchecksa.



You can ask for help to read this fact sheet.

A friend, family member or support person may be able to help you.

What is **ScriptCheckSA**?



ScriptCheckSA has information about the medicine you take.

This information is for people who look after your health, such as your:



- doctor



- pharmacist.



A pharmacist is a person who:

- works at a pharmacy
- gives you medicine.



It can help them make safe decisions about the medicine you take.



It can also help them stop you from getting addicted to your medicine.

What medicine does **ScriptCheckSA** keep information about?



There are some medicines that South Australians are at risk of getting addicted to.



But these medicines can help people if they are used in a safe way.



ScriptCheckSA has information about medicine used for:

- strong pain
- sleeping problems
- anxiety
- attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD).



If you have anxiety, you might:

- worry about things that may or may not happen
- have trouble controlling how you think.



ADHD affects how well you might:

- focus on one thing
- control your actions and how you behave.

What information does **ScriptCheckSA** have?

ScriptCheckSA keeps a record of these medicines when:



- your doctor writes a **prescription**



- you collect your medicine from the pharmacy.

A prescription:



- is a document from your doctor



- tells a pharmacist about the medicine your doctor wants you to take.

Can **ScriptCheckSA** stop me from getting my medicines?

ScriptCheckSA won't tell people who look after your health what:



- to do



- medicines you need.

Your doctor will tell you what medicine is:



- safe



- right for you.

My information in **ScriptCheckSA**

How is my information kept in **ScriptCheckSA**?



Your information is kept:

- safe
- private.

Who can look at my information in **ScriptCheckSA**?

People who look after your health can see your information in **ScriptCheckSA**, like your:



- doctor

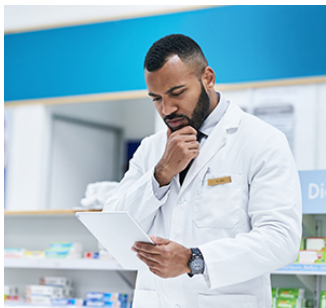


- pharmacist.

They can only look at your information if they:



- look after your health



- are checking it's safe to give you a type of medicine.



Some people working at the Drugs of Dependence Unit (DDU) might look at your information in **ScriptCheckSA**.

The DDU will check your information to make sure your doctor or pharmacist:



- follow the law when they give you your medicine

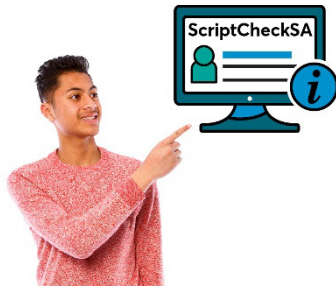


- check your information when they look after your health.



The DDU also makes sure the community gets medicines in a safe way.

Can I choose to not have my information in ScriptCheckSA?



Your information must be recorded in **ScriptCheckSA**.



It is part of the law in South Australia.

Where can I get support?



There are people you can talk to if you need help.



Alcohol and Drug Information Service



1300 131 340



8:30am to 10pm

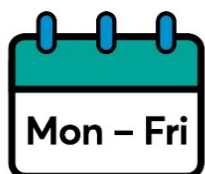
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Alcohol and Drug Foundation



1300 858 584



Monday to Friday

8:30am to 4:30pm



Family Drug Support Australia



1300 368 186



24 hours a day

7 days a week



The Australian Pain Management Association Pain Link
Helpline



1300 340 357



Family Drug Helpline



1300 660 068



24 hours a day

7 days a week

For more information



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