

# Re: Sharing RX medication to save \$

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>> > When the

>> > pharmacy receives a script, they verify the prescription with the

>> > prescribing doc,

no...properly written scripts are NEVER verified in any manner...to do so would entail a LOT of unnecessary work...

scheduled meds...sometimes...but routine meds,,never

but as to the "crooked doctor" example...this is a valid statement...

a prescriber will write on the script AND document in the chart EXACTLY what the patient is taking..ie...1 tab twice a day or 60/month.....scripts and charts have to match..in case of audits..another provider filling in...etc...not many prescribers are willing to risk being "caught" in insurance fraud...

which is what it is...EVEN if the stated number and dosage on the script is within the range...

I once asked hubby's doc to write for TWICE the dose of an expensive med,,then I would split the pills..he would get two months for one co pay....

doc's answer " I always promised my wife I would not go to jail...for insurance fraud" ...

this is NOT to say that some providers will not do this...but it is insurance fraud in a "small" context

>> I'm sure mine doesn't. It just gets keyed into their computer. They

>> get it wrong often enough.

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> It gets keyed into their computer and processed by the payer. The

> pharmacist is supposed to validate the original prescription with the

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> doctor's office (it may be done electronically). Refills don't need to  
> be checked unless there is a change in dosage.  
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>> > they enter the patient's insurance information, the  
>> > Rx, dose and prescribing provider's ID: the payer's claim payment  
>> > system would immediately detect the error, and the pharmacist would  
>> not  
>> > fill the Rx.  
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>> > Either you have a crooked doctor, or a crooked pharmacist.  
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>> You jump to an erroneous and dangerous conclusion. I did not say I  
> do  
>> this. I don't share my meds.  
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> Neither. The familiar "you" was not int