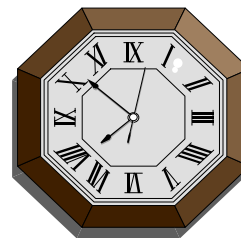




Math Study Strategies

Math for Nursing Abbreviations for timely Administration of Medication



It is very important for a nurse to know the time when medication needs to be administered. The efficiency of medication can be increased or diminished if the prescribed time is not followed. The following list shows the abbreviations for timely administration of medication and should be **memorized**.

a or ā	before	per	by
@	at	p.r.n.	when necessary
a.c	before meals	q.	each
ad lib.	as desired	q h	every hour
b.i.d	twice a day	q.i.d	four times a day
b.i.n.	twice a night	q 2h	every two hours
noct.	at night	q 3h	every three hours
N.P.O	nothing by mouth	q 4h	every four hours
o.d or qid.	once every day	q 6h	every six hours
o.m	every morning	q 8h	every eight hours
p	after	q 12h	every twelve hours
p.c.	after meals	q.o.d.	every other day