



CONSONUS PHARMACY CONSULTING

Why is Consulting important to me or my loved one?

Facts:

1. For every dollar spent on medications in nursing homes, \$1.33 is spent on treating adverse drug events.
2. Adverse drug reactions are responsible for 5–28% of acute geriatric hospital admissions.
3. An audit of 765,000 Medicare beneficiaries showed 21% were on at least 1 “potentially inappropriate medication” with a high potential for adverse event.

A Consonus Consultant Pharmacist advocates for you.

- The team is constantly looking to reduce unnecessary medications by asking if the benefits outweigh the risks.
- They ensure your therapeutic goals are being met.
- They provide training for family members and staff.
- Is the medication being used to treat effects of another drug?
- Disease management.
- Does the resident or nurse know what it is for, how to give it and what adverse drug events to look for?
- How is the compliance? Is the medication choice the best one based on the resident’s financial, cognitive and functional status?

Consonus Consultants help to reduce hospitalizations due to adverse drug events and help maintain the resident in the most desirable living situation.

