

Electronic hospital pharmacy prescriptions

Hospital pharmacy prescriptions are used for medicines to treat issues such as infectious diseases. Until now, they have been issued on paper or as an electronic prescription in the internal patient information system.

The electronic hospital pharmacy prescription will be introduced in stages from 2024.

Electronic hospital pharmacy prescriptions will be stored in the Kanta Services. This will help to improve medication safety and harmonise prescription management. Doctors will have a more accurate view of your overall medication, which prevents adverse drug interactions.

You can view your electronic hospital pharmacy prescriptions in MyKanta.

Hospital pharmacy prescriptions can only be dispensed at hospital pharmacies.

Acting on someone else's behalf at a hospital pharmacy

You can collect a medicine from a hospital pharmacy on behalf of another person by presenting a prescription, a patient instruction sheet or, for example, the patient's Kela, identity card or driving licence. In the absence of a patient instruction sheet, the person collecting the prescription must be able to provide the details of the medicine.

In all other cases, written authorisation is required in order to act on someone else's behalf at a hospital pharmacy. Authorisation forms are available from pharmacies, hospital pharmacies, health care service points and Kela service points.

Renewing electronic hospital pharmacy prescriptions

You can request a renewal of a prescription directly from the unit where you are being treated. The request may also be made by a person authorised to act on your behalf.

Electronic hospital pharmacy prescriptions cannot be renewed in MyKanta or electronically at a pharmacy.

Denial of consent to prescription data sharing

Note that if you have set up a denial of consent to prescription data sharing, the prescription will be visible at the hospital pharmacies within the same prescribing service provider.