

The Continuity of Medication Management (COMM) Patient Survey

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A.	The following questions are about your current health insurance coverage.
01 02 98	you currently obtain health care service from VA? Yes No Don't know Prefer not to answer
01 02 98	Any hospital care service you receive outside VA currently covered by Medicare? Yes No Don't know Prefer not to answer
01 02	any doctor's office visits you have outside VA currently covered by Medicare? Yes No Don't know Prefer not to answer
01 02 98	you have Medicare prescription service drug coverage, "Part D"? Yes No Don't know Prefer not to answer
01 02 98 99	any care service you receive outside VA currently covered by Medicaid? Yes No Don't know Prefer not to answer
	any care you receive outside VA currently covered by the Department of Defense's ARE service or TRICARE for Life health care programs? Yes No Don't know Prefer not to answer

7. Is any care you receive currently covered by any other individual or group health plan that either you, or an employer, or someone else, such as a family member obtains for you?

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01 02 98 99		Yes No Don't know Prefer not to answer
8. 01 02 98 99		es this coverage include prescription drug coverage? Yes No Don't know Prefer not to answer
В.		The following questions are about where you go to obtain health care service.
	if y	there a particular doctor's office, clinic, health center, or other place that you usually go you are sick or need advice about your health? Yes No I usually go to more than one location or doctor for medical care or advice
		er the past six months, how many different places have you gone to obtain medical care rvice or medical advice outside VA? 0 1 2 3 or more
		nich of the following best represents the location you usually go to receive medical care rvice or advice? VA Medical Center VA community based outpatient clinic or satellite clinic Non-VA Clinic or health center Non-VA Doctor's office or HMO Non-VA Hospital Emergency Room Non-VA Hospital Outpatient Department Other (please specify)

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that w	ere not provid	led by or paid for by a test of some sort, e	VA? Please include A	nedical or mental h	
were r	not provided b <i>nd discharge</i>	y or paid for by the V out of the hospital IBER	-	night stays, if any, dic <i>gle trip into and ou</i> t ïne.	-
were r	not provided b ance abuse v	y or paid for by the V visits or any visits p IBER		atient visits or trips, d ount dental, mental best guess is fine.	
C.	The followin	g questions are abo	out where you get p	rescriptions filled.	
1. Is	there one pa	articular pharmacy t	hat you usually go	to if you need to fill	a prescription?
01 02 98 99	Yes No Don't know Prefer not to	answer			
2. Ho	ow many diffe	erent pharmacies d	you usually go to	when picking up pro	escriptions?
0		1	2	3	More than 3
3. Ho	ow likely are <u>y</u>	you to fill prescripti	ons at a VA pharma	cy?	
Very l	Jnlikely	Unlikely	Neutral	Likely	Very Likely

y Unlikely	Unlikely	Neutral	Likely	Very Likely

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98	ER NUMBER Don't know Prefer not to answer			
3. V	Vhat year did each term of activ	e duty military servi	ice start?	
01 98 99	ENTER YEAR 1 st Don't know Prefer not to answer	2 nd	3 rd	4 th
4. V	Vhat year did each term of activ	e duty military servi	ice end?	
01 98 99	ENTER YEAR 1 st Don't kno Prefer not to answer	2 nd	3 rd	4 th

5. During this term of military service were you ever in or exposed to combat?
01 Yes
02 No
98 Don't know
99 Prefer not to answer

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E.	E. The following items are about your health.							
1. Wo	1. Would you say in general your health is Excellent, Very Good, Good, Fair or Poor?							
Excel	lent	Very Good	Good	Fair	Poor			
	w tall are you height in feet a	ı without shoes? and inches						
	enter number o	of feet						
and								
<u> </u> _	enter num	ber of inches						
98 99	Don't know Prefer not to	answer						
3. Ho	w much weig	h without clothes o	r shoes					
II_	poun	ds						
98	Don't know							
99	Prefer not to	answer						
4. How often did you have a drink containing alcohol in the past year? O1 Never (0 points)* O2 Monthly or less (1 point) O3 Two to four times a month (2 points) O4 Two to three times per week (3 points) O5 Four or more times a week (4 points)								
	w many drink past year? 0 drinks (0 poin 1 or 2 (0 poin 3 or 4 (1 poin 5 or 6 (2 poin 7 to 9 (3 poin 10 or more (4	oints)* ts) t) ts) ts)	ol did you have on a	typical day when y	ou were drinking			

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- 6. How often did you have six or more drinks on one occasion in the past year?
- 01 Never (0 points)
- 02 Less than monthly (1 point)
- 03 Monthly (2 points)
- 04 Weekly (3 points)
- 05 Daily or almost daily (4 points)
- 7. Have you smoked at least 100 cigarettes in your entire life?
- 01 Yes
- 02 No
- 98 Don't know
- 99 Prefer not to answer
- 8. Do you now smoke cigarettes every day, some days, or not at all?
- 01 Every day
- 02 Some days
- 03 Not at all
- 98 Don't know
- 99 Prefer not to answer
- 9. During the past 12 months, have you stopped smoking for more than one day because you were trying to quit smoking?
- 01 Yes
- 02 No.
- 98 Don't know
- 99 Prefer not to answer

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Please answer the following questions about your mood over the past month.

10. During the past month, how much of the time were you a happy person?								
None of the time	A little of the time	Some of the time	A good bit of the time	Most of the time	All of the time			
11. How much of the time, during the past month, have you felt calm and peaceful?								
None of the time	A little of the time	Some of the time	A good bit of the time	Most of the time	All of the time			
12. How much of the time, during the past month, have you been a very nervous person?								
None of the time	A little of the time	Some of the time	A good bit of the time	Most of the time	All of the time			
13. How much o	of the time, durin	ng the past mont	h, have you felt	downhearted an	d blue?			
None of the time	A little of the time	Some of the time	A good bit of the time	Most of the time	All of the time			
14. How much of the time, during the past month, did you feel so down in the dumps that nothing could cheer you up?								
None of the	A little of the	Some of the	A good bit of	Most of the	All of the time			

F1. Do you have a current prescription for blood pressure medications?
Yes: Continue to F1 below. No: Go to F2.
F1. In order for blood pressure medication to work best, people should take it according to the

The following questions are about medications that you take.

F1. In order for blood pressure medication to work best, people should take it according to the doctor's instructions. For one reason or another, people can't or don't always take all of their pills as prescribed. We want to know <u>how often</u> you have missed your blood pressure medication. When answering these questions, please think about all of your blood pressure medications. Please rate your agreement with the following statements.

Over the past 7 days...

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	Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Often	Always
1. I took all does of my blood pressure medication.					
2. I missed or skipped at least one dose of my blood pressure medication.					
3. I was not able to take all of my blood pressure medication.					

Situations come up that make it difficult for people to take their blood pressure medications as prescribed by their doctors. Below is a list of those situations. We want to know how much these situations contributed to you missing a dose of your blood pressure medication. Only one of these situations may apply to you, or many may apply to you.								
In the past 7 days, how much did each situation contribute to you missing a dose of your blood pressure medication?								
	Not at All				Very Much			
1. I was busy								
2. I forgot								
3. The medication caused some side effects								
4. I worried about taking them for the rest of my life								
5. They cost a lot of money								
6. I came home late								
7. I did not have any symptoms of high blood pressure								
8. I was with friends or family members								
9. I was in a public place								
10. I was afraid of becoming dependent on them								
11. I was afraid they may affect my sexual performance								
12. The time to take them was between my meals								
13. I felt I did not need them								
	Not at all				Very Much			

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14. I was traveling							
15. I was supposed to take them too many times a day							
16. I had other medications to take							
17. They make me need to urinate too often							
18. I ran out of medication							
19. I was afraid the medication would interact with other medication I take.							
20. My blood pressure was too low							
21. I was feeling too ill to take them							
Of the situations that contributed to you missing at least one dose of your blood pressure medication, we would like to know which are the most important or influential. Please rank the top three most important or influential reasons below. You may write the number that corresponds to the reason listed above (e.g., if running out of medication was the most important reason, then write "18" on the top line). Most important or influential situation:							
2 nd Most important or influentia	l situation:						
3 rd Most important or influentia	l situation:						

Over the past 7 days					
	Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Often	Always
1. I took all does of my cholesterol medication.					
2. I missed or skipped at least one dose of my cholesterol medication.					
3. I was not able to take all of my cholesterol medication.					

F2. In order for cholesterol medication to work best, people should take it according to the doctor's

answering these questions, please think about all of your cholesterol medications. Please rate your

instructions. For one reason or another, people can't or don't always take all of their pills as prescribed. We want to know *how often* you have missed your cholesterol medication. When

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F2.Do you have a current prescription for cholesterol medications?

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Yes: Continue F2 below.

agreement with the following statements.

No: Go to F3.

apply to you, or many may apply to you.							
In the past 7 days, how much did each situation contribute to you missing a dose of your cholesterol medication?							
	Not at All				Very Much		
1. I was busy							
2. I forgot							
3. The medication caused some side effects							
4. I worried about taking them for the rest of my life							
5. They cost a lot of money							
6. I came home late							
7. I did not have any symptoms of high cholesterol							
8. I was with friends or family members							
9. I was in a public place							
10. I was afraid of becoming dependent on them							
11. I was afraid they may affect my sexual performance							
12. The time to take them was between my meals							
13. I felt I did not need them							

Situations come up that make it difficult for people to take their cholesterol medications as prescribed

by their doctors. Below is a list of those situations. We want to know how much these situations contributed to you missing a dose of your cholesterol medication. Only one of these situations may

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	Not at all				Very Much		
14. I was traveling							
15. I was supposed to take them too many times a day							
16. I had other medications to take							
17. They make me need to urinate too often							
18. I ran out of medication							
19. I was afraid the medication would interact with other medication I take.							
20. My cholesterol was low							
21. I was feeling too ill to take them							
Of the situations that contributed to you missing at least one dose of your cholesterol medication, we would like to know which are the most important or influential. Please rank the top three most important or influential reasons below. You may write the number that corresponds to the reason listed above (e.g., if running out of medication was the most important reason, then write "18" on the top line). Most important or influential situation: 2 nd Most important or influential situation: 3 rd Most important or influential situation:							

Over the past 7 days					
	Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Often	Always
1. I took all does of my diabetes medication.					
2. I missed or skipped at least one dose of my diabetes medication.					
3. I was not able to take all of my diabetes medication.					

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F3. In order for diabetes medication to work best, people should take it according to the doctor's instructions. For one reason or another, people can't or don't always take all of their pills as

prescribed. We want to know <u>how often</u> you have missed your diabetes medication. When answering these questions, please think about all of your diabetes medications. Please rate your agreement with

F3. Do you have a current prescription for diabetes medications?

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Yes: Continue F3 below.

the following statements.

No: Go to F4.

their doctors. Below is a list of those situations. We want to know how much these situations contributed to you missing a dose of your diabetes medication. Only one of these situations may apply to you, or many may apply to you.						
In the past 7 days, how much did each situation contribute to you missing a dose of your diabetes medication?						
	Not at All				Very Much	
1. I was busy						
2. I forgot						
3. The medication caused some side effects						
4. I worried about taking them for the rest of my life						
5. They cost a lot of money						
6. I came home late						
7. I did not have any symptoms of high blood sugar						
8. I was with friends or family members						
9. I was in a public place						
10. I was afraid of becoming dependent on them						
11. I was afraid they may affect my sexual performance						
12. The time to take them was between my meals						
13. I felt I did not need them						

Situations come up that make it difficult for people to take their diabetes medications as prescribed by

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	Not at all				Very Much		
14. I was traveling							
15. I was supposed to take them too many times a day							
16. I had other medications to take							
17. They make me need to urinate too often							
18. I ran out of medication							
19. I was afraid the medication would interact with other medication I take.							
20. My blood sugar was too low							
21. I was feeling too ill to take them							
Of the situations that contributed to you missing at least one dose of your diabetes medication, we would like to know which are the most important or influential. Please rank the top three most important or influential reasons below. You may write the number that corresponds to the reason listed above (e.g., if running out of medication was the most important reason, then write "18" on the top line). Most important or influential situation: 2 nd Most important or influential situation:							
3 rd Most important or influentia	situation:						

the following statements.					
Over the past 7 days					
	Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Often	Always
1. I took all does of my COPD medication.					
2. I missed or skipped at least one dose of my COPD medication.					
3. I was not able to take all of	П		П		

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F4. Do you have a current prescription for medications for chronic obstructive pulmonary disease

F4. In order for COPD medication to work best, people should take it according to the doctor's instructions. For one reason or another, people can't or don't always take all of their pills as

prescribed. We want to know <u>how often</u> you have missed your COPD medication. When answering these questions, please think about all of your COPD medications. Please rate your agreement with

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Yes: Continue F4 below.

my COPD medication.

(COPD)?

No: Go to F5.

contributed to you missing a dose of your COPD medication. Only one of these situations may apply to you, or many may apply to you.						
In the past 7 days, how much did each situation contribute to you missing a dose of your COPD medication?						
	Not at All				Very Much	
1. I was busy						
2. I forgot						
3. The medication caused some side effects						
4. I worried about taking them for the rest of my life						
5. They cost a lot of money						
6. I came home late						
7. I did not have any symptoms of COPD						
8. I was with friends or family members						
9. I was in a public place						
10. I was afraid of becoming dependent on them						
11. I was afraid they may affect my sexual performance						
12. The time to take them was between my meals						
13. I felt I did not need them						

Situations come up that make it difficult for people to take their COPD medications as prescribed by their doctors. Below is a list of those situations. We want to know how much these situations

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Not at all							
				Very Much			
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20. I was feeling too ill to take them Of the situations that contributed to you missing at least one dose of your COPD medication, we would like to know which are the most important or influential. Please rank the top three most important or influential reasons below. You may write the number that corresponds to the reason listed above (e.g., if running out of medication was the most important reason, then write "18" on the top line). Most important or influential situation: 2nd Most important or influential situation:							
	e most import pelow. You most import of medication ation:	e most important or influent pelow. You may write the n of medication was the mos ation:	e most important or influential. Please rank pelow. You may write the number that corr of medication was the most important reastation: ation: situation:	e most important or influential. Please rank the top three rocking the most important reason, then write of medication was the most important reason, then write ation:			

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F5. We would like to ask you about your personal views about your medicine(s). These are statements other people have made about their medicines. Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with them. There are no right or wrong answers. We are interested in your personal views about your medicine(s). When answering these, please think about all of your medicine(s).

	Strongly Agree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
1. Having to take medicines worries me.					
I sometimes worry about becoming too dependent on medicines.					
3. I sometimes worry about long-term effects of my medicines.					
4. My medicines disrupt my life					
My life will be impossible without my medicines.					
6. My health, at present, depends on my medicines.					
7. Without my medicines, I would be very ill.					
My health in the future will depend on my medicines.					
My medicines protect me from becoming worse.					
10. If doctors had more time with patients, they would prescribe fewer medicines.					
11. Doctors place too much trust in medicines.					
12. Doctors use too many medicines.					
13. Natural remedies are safer than medicines.					
14. Most medicines are addictive.					
15. Medicines do more harm than good.					
16. All medicines are poison.					
17. My medicines are a mystery to me.					
18. People who take medicines should stop their treatment for a while every now and again.					

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G. The following questions are about your primary care doctor. Please rate how much you agree with the following statements about your *primary care doctor*.

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
1. My doctor will do whatever it takes to get me all the care I need.					
2. Sometimes my doctor cares more about what is convenient for (him/her) than about my medical needs.					
3. My doctor's medical skills are not as good as they should be.					
4. My doctor is extremely thorough and careful.					
5. I completely trust my doctor's decisions about which medical treatments are best for me.					
6. My doctor is totally honest in telling me about all of the different treatment options available for my condition.					
7. My doctor only thinks about what is best for me.					
8. Sometimes my doctor does not pay full attention to what I am trying to tell (him/her).					
9. I have no worries about putting my life in my doctor's hands.					
10. All in all, I have complete trust in my doctor.					

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H. Finally, we have a few questions to help us describe the people who completed this survey.							
1. /	Are you of Hispanic and Latino origin?						
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	2. Looking at the options below, which best describes your race? Please select only one option.						
	American Indian Black or African White or Alaska American						
	Asian						
3.	What is highest degree or level of school completed? Please select only one option.						
	No Schooling completed						
	Nursery school to 8 th grade						
	9 th -12 th Grade, no Diploma						
	High School Graduate (High School Diploma or the Equivalent)						
	Vocational/Technical/Business/Trade School Certificate or Diploma (Beyond the High nool Level)						
	Some College, but no Degree						
	Associate Degree						
П	Bachelor's Degree						
	Master's, Professional or Doctorate Degree						
4. 01	How would you best characterize your current employment status? Employed Fulltime						
02	Self-employed fulltime						
03	Employed part-time						
04	Self employed part-time						
05	Unemployed, looking for work, or laid off						
06	Currently not employed – either retired, a homemaker, student, etc.						
98	Don't Know						
99	Prefer not to answer						

5. Please be assured that your response to this question is private, and your answer will not affect your benefits. Your best guess or estimate is fine. Could you please indicate which of the following best describes your 2011 total annual household income from *all sources*.

01	UNDER \$11,00
02	\$11,000-\$15,999
03	\$16,000-\$20,999
04	\$21,000-\$25,999
05	\$26,000-\$30,999
06	\$31,000-\$35,999
07	\$36,000-\$40-999
80	\$41,000-\$45,999
09	\$46,000-\$50,999
10	\$51,000-\$55,999
11	\$56,000 or over
13	Don't know
14	Prefer not to answer

THANK YOU FOR TAKING TIME TO COMPLETE THIS SURVEY