

Project: Medication labels (for vials & packages)

Materials: Empty vials or re-used demo vials

Cost: .05-.10¢ per page

Time: 30 minutes

Details: Realistic medications are vital for students when learning dispensing, handling, and administration procedures. To keep costs down and to delay filling sharps containers (and landfills), make your own labels. Do a search for the drug and dose on the internet under ‘image’ options. Screen shot the image and paste into PowerPoint to use as a template. I create two labels – one for the vial (very small, minimal details) (Image ‘A’), and one for the package insert (includes bar code & exp. Date) (Image ‘B’). Once created, save the image as a ‘picture’ so you can resize it without having font issues. Resize the label depending on the vial size.

Laminate the package label with packing tape. If you are using bar code scanners, this will be the scanning label.

You can use this technique for bottles, medication boxes and I.V. bags (Image ‘C’).

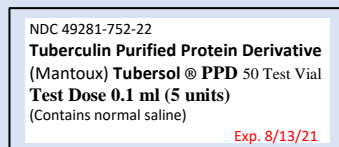


Image ‘A’

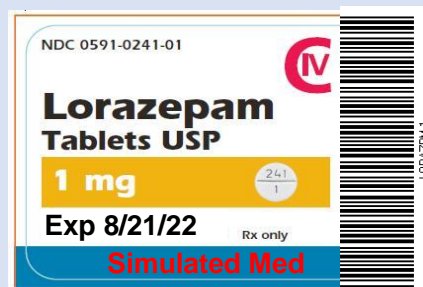


Image ‘B’

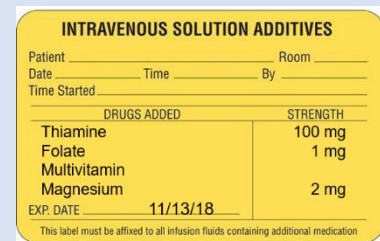


Image ‘C’