Safe Online Pharmacies

It is essential for patients and their providers to stay informed about safe ways to buy medication. Buying prescription medicine online or through social media may *seem* to cost less, but it can put individuals at risk. Make sure a website is reputable to safely order prescription drugs and medicine online.

The National Association of Boards of Pharmacies have developed a method of verifying safe online pharmacies. The designation of a safe online pharmacy meets the following requirements:

- Is licensed by regulators in the jurisdiction in which they are located, as well as regulators in the patient's jurisdiction

- Accepts only valid prescriptions

- Complies with applicable drug laws and professional practice laws

- Provides readily accessible contact information for patient care inquiries

- Complies with privacy laws and ensure patient confidentiality

Providers and patients can use NABP's free safe sites search tool. You can check whether a website is verified by NABP or not recommended by searching for the web address.

Another way to find a verified website is to look for *.pharmacy* or *.safepharmacy* at the end of the web address. When a website ends in *.pharmacy*, it has been verified by NABP. Unlike logos, the .pharmacy domain cannot be faked or forged.

More information on safe online pharmacies may be found here https://safe.pharmacy/buy-safely/?url=

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