

**SAMPLE HISTORY BREAK DOWN**

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**M****SAMPLE**

The M is sample history stands for medications. We as medical responders must know what medications are patients are currently prescribed and currently taking. However we need to expand this question some more.

Other questions to consider asking are:

*Are you taking all of your medications as prescribed?*

*Have you taken too many of your prescribed medications?*

*Are you taking any over the counter medications?*

*Are you taking any medications that are not prescribed to you?*

*Have you take any illegal substances?*

Most patients will not remember what medications they are taking if they take more than 1 or 2. Ask if the patient has a list of current medications. If a list is not

available ask where they are located at or to have them put in a bag to take with you to the hospital so that you and the hospital staff can collect an accurate list. Also if you are unclear on what a medication has been prescribed to the patient for ask the patient, this could help you determine further medical conditions and cause of the patient's complaint and conditions.

## DRILL TIME!

Answer the follow questions:

What is a sign that a patient has taken too much of there medication?

How can you tell if a patient has not taken any of there prescribed medications?

List other way you can obtain what medications the patient is currently prescribed to take?

