

If a prisoner requests Panadol within the recommended timeframes or over the maximum dose, remind them of the limits - these exist to protect ***their health and wellbeing.***

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### REMEMBER

You have the 'right to refuse' to provide Panadol if the prisoner refuses to follow the provision requirements for their safety – just make sure you record why.



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## ***Providing Medication (Panadol)***

If you (as a Corrections Officer) provide Panadol within the law and within operating manual guidelines:

- Your practice is safe.
- The prisoner is safe.



**These things are very important.  
*Keep this card with you at all times.***

When a Prisoner requests Panadol you need to check the prisoner has no health reason recorded why they must not be given Panadol; they have not had Panadol in the last 4 hours; or will exceed the maximum of 8 Panadol in 24 hours.

**If the prisoner can be given Panadol, follow the 'RIGHTS' –**



RIGHT prisoner  
Who requested Panadol



RIGHT medicine  
Panadol/Paracetamol, check the packaging label



RIGHT dose  
Maximum of 2 (two) x 500mg tablets



RIGHT time  
Not within 4 hours of previous dose



RIGHT consumption  
Swallowed in front of you with water



RIGHT documentation  
Panadol Log Sheet

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Follow the 'RIGHTS' – every time.  
This keeps everyone safe and minimises opportunity for hoarding and misuse of Panadol as this is dangerous to a person's health.