

## Takeaway Dose Agreement

**I have discussed the policy regarding takeaway (unsupervised) doses with my doctor/case manager and am aware of the following issues and requirements for approval.**

1. I will not share information regarding possession/use of takeaways with others. Methadone and buprenorphine are potentially dangerous medications that can cause death when taken by anyone other than for whom they are prescribed.
2. Mixing other depressants such as alcohol, benzodiazepines or other opioids with these medications can lead to drug overdose and death.
3. I accept responsibility for safe storage and use of all takeaway doses I may receive. I will store all doses in a secure place out of the reach of children and am aware that a locked cabinet or safe is recommended. Storage in a refrigerator is not acceptable.
4. All doses will be consumed according to directions given by my prescriber. If more than one dose is prescribed, each dose will be taken on the day for which it is prescribed. Doses will not be accumulated and no more than the daily dose will be taken.
5. Methadone if prescribed will be swallowed, and buprenorphine will be dissolved under my tongue.
6. I will not sell, swap or give away my takeaway dose or any part thereof.
7. Doses that are spilled, vomited, lost or stolen will not be replaced and will be reported to my prescriber. Stolen doses should also be reported directly to the police.
8. Access to takeaway doses will be suspended if members of my treatment team consider them to be unsafe for me or the community at any time.
9. Access to takeaway medication may be suspended if my urine drug tests detect other opioids, non-prescribed benzodiazepines or illicit drugs. Failure to provide a urine sample for drug testing when requested will be deemed a positive urine test.
10. Access to takeaway doses will also be suspended if I am assessed as being under the influence of any substances, if I have diverted or attempted to divert any of my supervised or unsupervised doses; if my circumstances change and are deemed unsuitable for takeaway medication; or for any other reason that the treatment team consider to indicate increased risk to myself or the community.
11. Takeaway doses can only be prescribed under the conditions and requirements set out within the policies and procedures of the WA CPOP.
12. Any deviation from this agreement will result in a review of my treatment which will include access to takeaways and possible suspension/removal.

Client Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Witness Name \_\_\_\_\_ Designation \_\_\_\_\_

Witness Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_