## When Medication is Prescribed

# "Taking Medication Properly"



Staying healthy and recovering from an illness often requires a person to take medication. Taking medication properly can help prevent the worsening of symptoms, avoid hospital visits, and speed up recovery.

### **DID YOU KNOW?**

- 60% of Americans take prescription drugs
- 75% of Americans report they don't always take medications properly
- 40% of Nursing Home Admissions are due to medication non-compliance
- 125,000 Americans die each year due to medication non-compliance.

Source: CDC National Center for Health Statistics; 2016

## **GETTING THE MOST FROM YOUR MEDICATION**

To get the most benefit from your medication, and achieve a better health outcome, there are some basics steps a person needs to follow.

### A PRO-ACTIVE EDUCATIONAL SEMINAR

- Medication Compliance vs. Non-Compliance
- The Impact of Medication Non-Compliance
- Why Medication Isn't Taken as Prescribed
- When Your Doctor Prescribes a New Medication
- Make Sure Your Doctor Has All the Facts
- Before You Leave the Pharmacy
- Drug Reactions & Side Effects
- Some General Medication Guidelines



## **DATE**

Thursday September 7, 2017 10:30 am Greenwich Senior Center

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