The patient visits the doctor because he does not feel well.

Because of his training, the doctor decides the best medicine to treat the patient’s illness.

The pharmacist fills the prescription providing the medicine to the patient.

After examining the patient, if needed, the doctor writes a prescription saying that it's okay for the patient to have a particular medicine.

A nurse administers or gives the medicine to the patient.

This may be a shot or injection; a pill or a liquid in a cup or spoon.

Remember:
Never use someone else’s medicine. It may not work for your symptoms – and it could cause you serious harm.
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