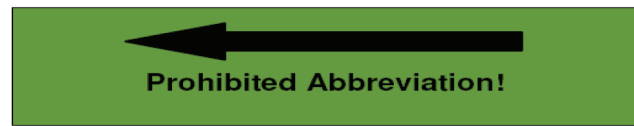


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Prohibited Abbreviation	Correct Use
IU	Unit
U or u	Unit
QD or qd	daily
QOD or qod	every other day
Zero after decimal point (e.g., 1.0 mcg)	1 mcg Never use zeros after decimal
No zero before decimal dose (e.g., .5 mg)	0.5 mg Always use zeros before decimal
Drug name abbreviations	Complete spelling of generic drug names
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