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<b>BISCUIT, Bertie</b>	Born <b>11-Mar-1977 (34y)</b> Gender <b>Male</b> CHI No. <b>7777777777</b>
Patient Details Last Modified On <b>12-Jan-2012</b> By <b>CPS1</b>	
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*HRM Methotrexate Process : **Concordance** > Interactions & precautions > Adverse reactions > Monitoring > Review*

### Concordance

Is the patient taking their methotrexate as prescribed?  Yes  No

Does the patient know what to do if they miss a dose of methotrexate or vomit after taking a dose?  Yes  No

If the patient is taking folic acid are they taking it as prescribed?  Yes  No

Does the patient have a methotrexate patient information and monitoring booklet and do they use it?  Yes  No

When indicated for RA and psoriasis methotrexate is prescribed as a single dose taken **once a week** on the **same day** each week. 'As directed' instructions should be avoided. You should follow up with the patient's GP practice if the instructions printed on the prescription form do not match what the patient tells you.

**Actions:**

- Check the patient's understanding of how and when to take their methotrexate and clarify any discrepancies.
- If the patient is currently receiving methotrexate 10 mg (either alone or in combination with the 2.5 mg tablets) then discuss the merits of using a single strength of 2.5 mg. If patient is content to change contact their GP to discuss the change
- Advise the patient that methotrexate should be swallowed whole and not crushed or chewed.
- Check the patient's understanding of how and when to take their folic acid and clarify any discrepancies.
- Advise the patient to carry and use the methotrexate booklet.
- Record any care issues in the patient's care plan and agree desired outcomes and actions.

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