

Week 5 CheckPoint Model Answer

Similarities: Both the prescription and drug labels contain the following information:

- The drug name: Allegra™
- The strength of the drug: 60mg tablets
- The type of medication: capsule

Differences:

- The drug label contains a warning that the medication can be dispensed only with a prescription. The drug label also directs the pharmacist and pharmacy technician to the package insert for more information. Additionally, patent information is included on the drug label.
- The prescription label contains information such as the name of the pharmacy, the prescription number, the date, the prescribing physician, and directions for taking the medication. The prescription label also contains information about the number of refills remaining and the shelf life of the medicine. The person filling the prescription and the person checking the accuracy are both identified by their initials.

Explanation of differences:

Information on the drug label is intended for the pharmacist and pharmacy technician, while the information on the prescription label is intended for the patient, with the exception of the initials of the persons filling and checking the prescription. The initials make it easier to document the chain of responsibility should questions or problems arise.