## **Medication Safety**

## For Adults:

- Read the label: Always check the label to know what the medicine is, how much to take, and when. Do Not Guess.
- Take the right dose: Take the right amount of medicine at the right time. If you're not sure, ask your doctor or pharmacist.
- **Keep medicine in its original bottle**: It's easier to keep track of what it is and when it expires.
- Watch for side effects: Pay attention to how you feel after taking medicine. If something feels off, check with your doctor.
- (...) **Don't mix medications**: Always tell your doctor or pharmacist about any other medicine you're taking so they can avoid bad combinations.
- $\overset{\circ\circ}{\simeq}$  **Store it safely**: Keep your medicine in a cool, dry place, away from kids and pets.
- <sup>2)</sup> **Don't share your medication**: Medicine is for you, not for anyone else, even if they have the same symptoms.

## For Kids:

- (....) **Only take medicine with an adult (parents)**: Medicine is for when you're feeling sick, and an adult should always help you take it.
- Medicine is NOT candy: Even if it looks sweet or yummy, medicine is *NOT* candy. Only take it when an adult says you should.
- Don't play with medicine bottles: They're NOT toys, so don't open them or play with them.
- (a) **Tell parents if something doesn't feel right**: If your tummy hurts or you feel funny after taking medicine, let an adult know right away.
- Help keep medicine safe: If you see medicine somewhere it shouldn't be, let an adult know so they can put it away properly.

Never take someone else's medicine: If it's not yours, don't touch it. Medicine is only for the person it's meant for. Not safe.