Medication Abbreviations

1. Which one of the following abbreviations means “antidiuretic hormone”?
   a. AH
   b. AD
   c. AIDS
   d. AS
   e. ADH

2. Which of the following abbreviations means “in the morning or before noon”?
   a. AM, a.m.
   b. b.i.d.
   c. a.i.m.
   d. h.s.
   e. qPM

3. Which abbreviation means “both ears”?
   a. AS
   b. AD
   c. AU
   d. BE
   e. AE

4. Which abbreviation means “barium”?
   a. BG
   b. BM
   c. BMI
   d. Ba
   e. BS
5. Which of the following abbreviations means “bowel movement”?
   a. Ba
   b. BG
   c. BM
   d. BMI
   e. BS

6. Which abbreviation means “blood sugar”?
   a. Ba
   b. BG
   c. BM
   d. BMI
   e. BS

7. Which of the following abbreviations means “biopsy”?
   a. Bx
   b. BI
   c. BP
   d. By
   e. BS

8. Which of the following abbreviations means “centimeter”?
   a. cc
   b. mm
   c. dcm
   d. gm
   e. cm

9. Which of the following abbreviations means “half strength”?
   a. h.s.
   b. hs
   c. Hx
   d. S@0.5%
   e. 1/2st
10. Which of the following abbreviations means “liter”?
   a. Lt
   b. Lr
   c. Lit
   d. mL
   e. L

11. Which of the following abbreviations means “milligram per deciliter”?
   a. mg
   b. mm
   c. mg/dL
   d. MI
   e. mL

12. Which of the following abbreviations means “millimeter”?
   a. mg
   b. mm
   c. mg/dl
   d. MI
   e. mL

13. Which of the following abbreviations means “obstetrics”?
   a. OB
   b. OD
   c. OM
   d. OS
   e. OU

14. Which of the following abbreviations means “otitis media”?
   a. OB
   b. OD
   c. OM
   d. OS
   e. OU
15. Which of the following abbreviations means “both eyes”?
   a. OB
   b. OD
   c. OM
   d. OS
   e. OU

16. Which of the following abbreviations means “by mouth”?
   a. p.o.
   b. p.r.m.
   c. n.p.o.
   d. bm
   e. pc

17. Which of the following abbreviations means “4 times a day”?
   a. q.o.d.
   b. q.i.d.
   c. q.i.4.
   d. q.i.Q.
   e. f.t.d.

18. Which of the following abbreviations means “3 times a day”?
   a. q.i.d.
   b. 3.t.d.
   c. q.3.d.
   d. t.i.d.
   e. q.3h.

19. Which of the following abbreviations means “ointments”?
   a. oin
   b. omt
   c. oit
   d. umg
   e. ung
20. The abbreviation “a.c.” means before meals.
   True    False

21. The abbreviation “cc” stands for cubic centimeter.
   True    False

22. The abbreviation “OU” means both eyes.
   True    False

23. The abbreviations “subcu”, “Sub-Q” and “subQ” all refer to subcutaneous injections.
   True    False

24. The abbreviations “dc”, “DC”, and D/C mean either discharge or discontinue.
   True    False

25. The abbreviation “qAM” means give every morning.
   True    False

26. The abbreviation “HTN” refers to high blood pressure.
   True    False

27. The abbreviation “stat.” means give or begin immediately!
   True    False

28. What is the medication abbreviation for “intravenous push”?
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29. What is the medication abbreviation for “intramuscular route”?

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30. What is the medication abbreviation for “by mouth”?

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31. What is the medication abbreviation for “sublingual route”?

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32. What is the medication abbreviation for “before meals”?

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33. What is the medication abbreviation for “at bedtime”?

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34. What is the medication abbreviation for “syrup”?

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35. What is the medical abbreviation for “fasting blood sugar”?

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36. What is the medical abbreviation for “blood sugar”?

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37. What is the medical abbreviation for “past medical history”?

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38. What is the medical abbreviation for “at night”?

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39. What is the medical abbreviation for “keep vein open”?

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40. What is the medical abbreviation for “history”?

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Answer Key to Abbreviations: Quiz 2

Q01  e  
Q02  a  
Q03  c  Use of this abbreviation (AU) is no longer recommended!  
Q04  d  
Q05  c  
Q06  e  
Q07  a  
Q08  e  A centimeter (cm) is 1/100 of a meter.  
Q09  b  Use of this abbreviation (hs) has now been discontinued.  
Q10  e  
Q11  c  
Q12  b  A millimeter (mm) is 1/1,000 of a meter.  
Q13  a  
Q14  c  
Q15  e  Use of this abbreviation (OU) is no longer recommended!  
Q16  a  Use of this abbreviation (p.o.) is no longer recommended!  
Q17  b  Use of this abbreviation (q.i.d.) is no longer recommended!  
Q18  d  Use of this abbreviation (t.i.d.) is no longer recommended!  
Q19  e  
Q20  T  However, use of this abbreviation is no longer recommended!  
Q21  T  A “cc” is the same as ml or mL (1/1000 of a liter). Current practice is to use “mL” for milliliters instead or write out the meaning.  
Q22  T  However, the abbreviations “OU” for both eyes and “AU” for both ears are no longer recommended for use in medical records.  
Q23  T  ALL of these abbreviations are no longer recommended for use in medical records.  
Q24  T  Use of these abbreviations is no longer recommended for use in medical records.  
Q25  T  However, the use of “qAM” and “qPM” is now strongly discouraged.  
Q26  T  HTN refers to hypertension.  
Q27  T  It is also spelled “STAT”.  
Q28  IVP  
Q29  I.M. / IM
| Q30 | P.O. / PO |
| Q31 | SL / s.l. |
| Q32 | ac |
| Q33 | h.s. / HS |
| Q34 | syr |
| Q35 | FBS |
| Q36 | BS |
| Q37 | PMH |
| Q38 | noc |
| Q39 | KVO |
| Q40 | Hx |