**Unit 9—The Medication Order**

Objectives

Upon completing this unit, you should be able to:

* Define the terms listed in the vocabulary.
* Describe the various types of medication orders.
* State who may administer medications.
* Describe the nine parts of a prescription.
* State the two main classes of medicines according to federal law.
* Describe and give the benefits of e-prescribing.
* Describe what happens to a prescription after a pharmacist fills it.
* List eight steps for safeguarding the prescription.
* List your responsibilities with regard to a patient’s request for a prescription refill.
* List five ways in which qualified people may protect themselves when taking a verbal order.
* List seven guidelines for understanding the medication order.
* Understand medication labels (prescription and nonprescription).
* Read and write the common medical abbreviations given in this unit.
* Answer the review questions correctly.