Instructions for using the *Medication Mysteries Infinite Case Tool for the “Patient”*

**Introduction:**
The student assigned as the Patient will be using a tool created for this lab. The purpose of this tool is to provide that student with the necessary information to perform their role as patient. In previous labs students may have been asked to provide information about themselves for the role-play. In this situation this will not work for two reasons. 1) Most pharmacy students are not on enough medications to make using their information for the case viable. 2) Even if they were on enough medications asking them to divulge such information for the purpose of a learning exercise would not be appropriate. Thus this tool was developed.

**Using the tool**

To use the tool do the following:

1. Separate the 3 decks. Drugs, Personalities, and Confusions.
2. Place these decks on the board in the appropriate location.
4. Roll the provided die. Add 5 to the number on the die. Select that total number of Drug Cards and place those in front of you. You may look at these.
5. Select the same number of Confusion Cards and place them in front of you face down. Don’t look at these yet.
6. Select 3 Personality Cards and place them in front of you
7. Review the Drug and Personality Cards.
8. Choose one of the Personality Cards and place the other two at the bottom of the Personality Deck
9. Look up a brand name for each of the drug cards (you will not have to do this for herbal products) you have so you can use that instead of the generic name when answering the interviewers questions.
10. Review the Confusion Cards and match them with the most appropriate Drug Card.
11. Based on the Drug, Confusion and Personality Cards you have, complete the Patient Demographic Sheet to define the patient you will be playing.
12. Once the patient demographic sheet is completed place this face down so that the interviewer cannot see it. You can look at it any time you want.
13. You are now ready to begin the interview.
14. When the interviewer asks you about your medications you can let them know about them in an order that seems logical to you. Remember your Confusion cards. They will alter the information regarding the drug in some common way as you deliver the information to the interviewer. This creates variation for the person doing the interview.
15. Once the interviewer has collected all your data the interview is over.