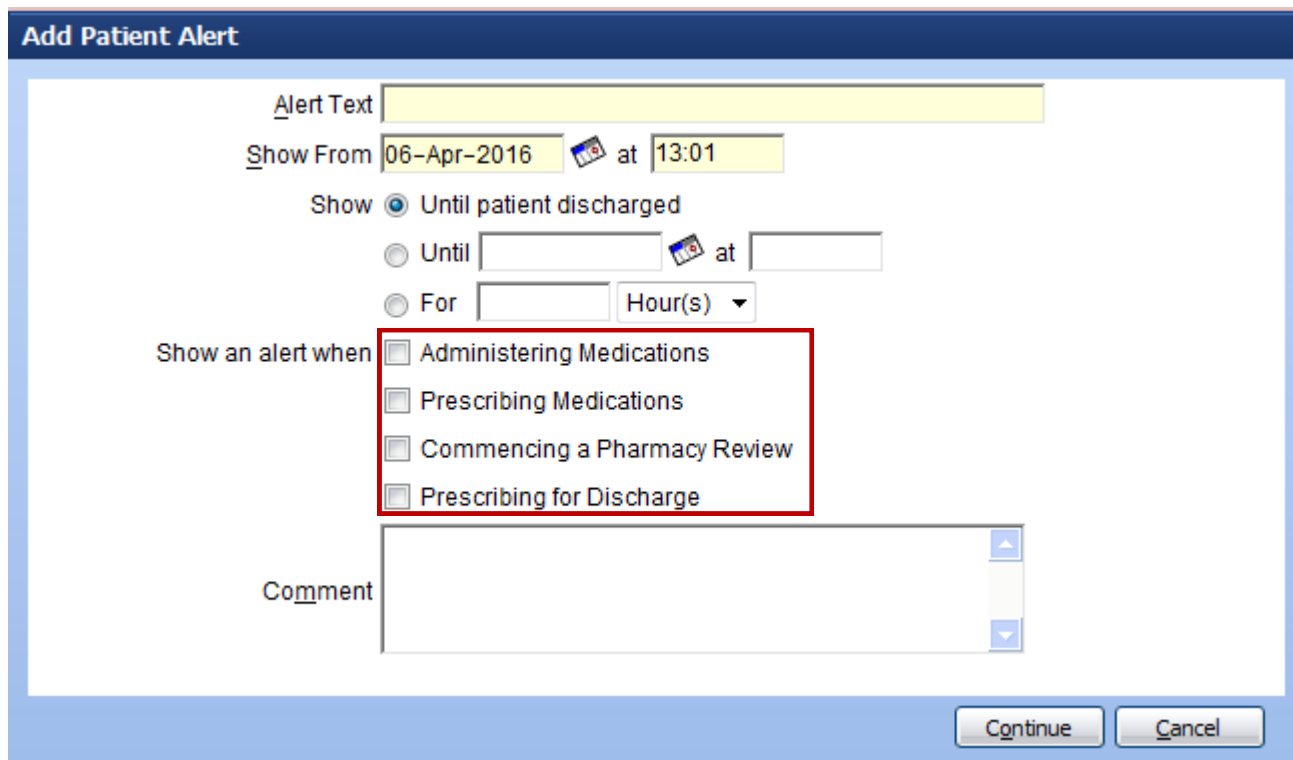# Alerts

Within the eMeds system you are able to add alerts. These can be used by members of the MDT as a way of highlighting any information regarding medication which you feel other staff members should be aware of. These alerts can be set to appear on different pages of the system relating to the four options shown below.
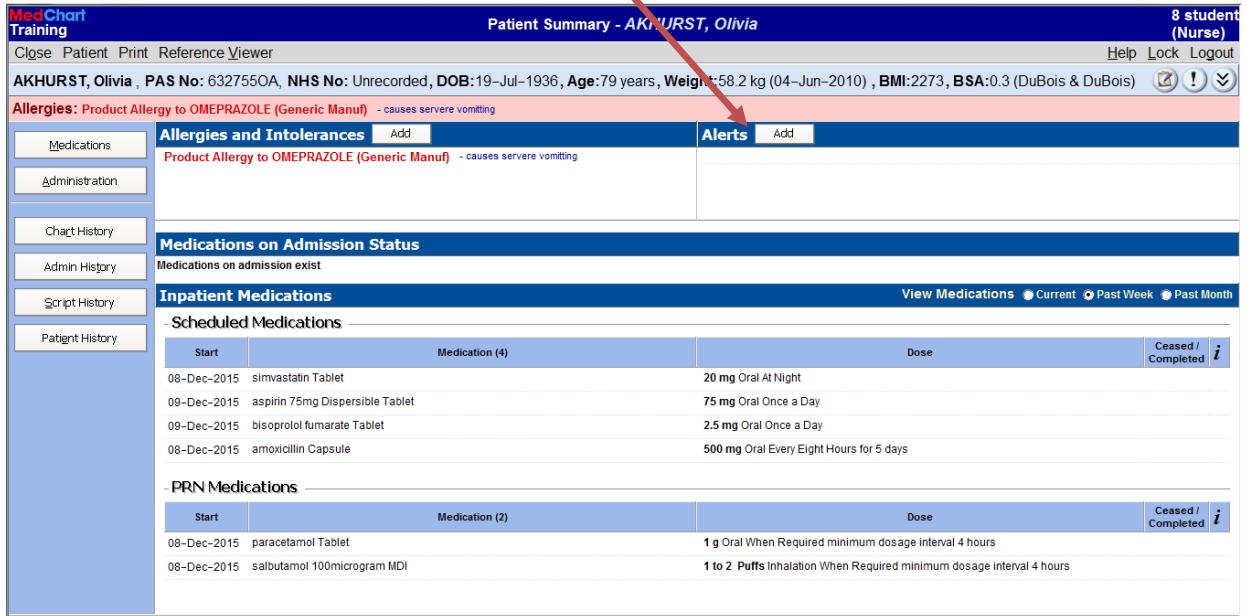

Below are examples of when you may choose to add each of these alerts

Show alert when	Example of when this may be used
Administering medications	Patient has right sided weakness and requires support taking medications
Prescribing medications	Patient would prefer soluble paracetamol; if appropriate please review
Commencing a pharmacy review	Patient would prefer soluble paracetamol; if appropriate please review
Prescribing for discharge	Patient would prefer medications in a dosette box on discharge if appropriate

Adding Alerts

Step 1

In the alerts section click on click on Add

Better Medicines Safety
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Close   Patient   Print   Reference Viewer   Help   Lock   Logout

AKHURST, Olivia , PAS No: 632755OA, NHS No: Unrecorded , DOB:19–Jul–1936 , Age:79 years, Weight:58.2 kg (04–Jun–2010) , BMI:2273, BSA:0.3 (DuBois & DuBois)

Allergies: Product Allergy to OMEPRAZOLE (Generic Manuf)   - causes servere vomitting

Allergies and Intolerances Add	Alerts Add
Product Allergy to OMEPRAZOLE (Generic Manuf) - causes servere vomitting	

Medications on Admission Status

Medications on admission exist

Inpatient Medications   View Medications ● Current ● Past Week ● Past Month
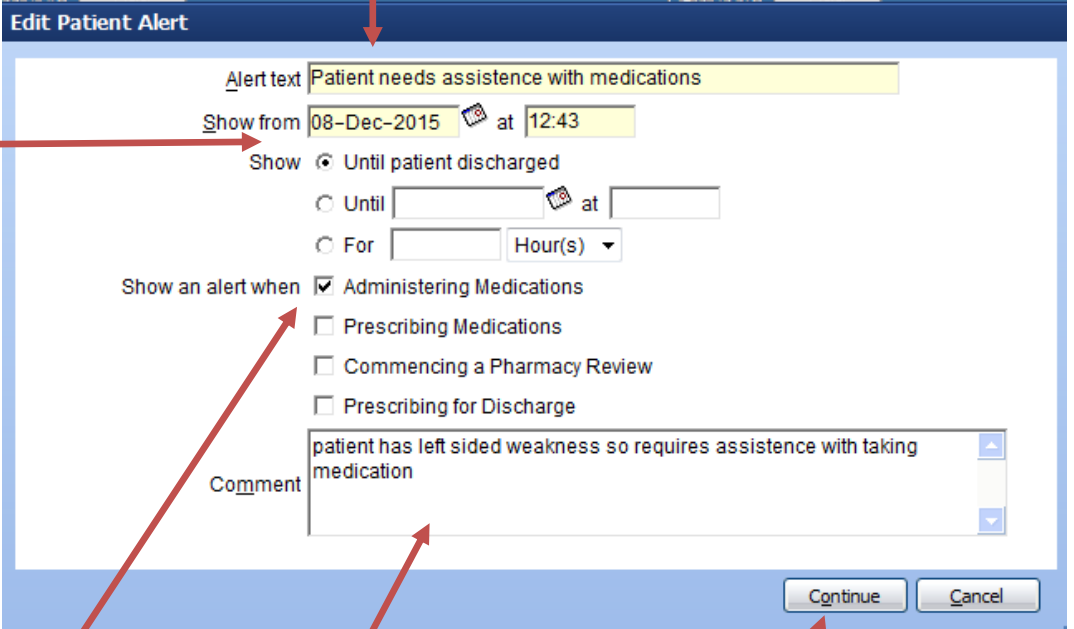
Scheduled Medications

Start	Medication (4)	Dose	Ceased / Completed	i
08–Dec–2015	simvastatin Tablet	20 mg Oral At Night		
09–Dec–2015	aspirin 75mg Dispersible Tablet	75 mg Oral Once a Day		
09–Dec–2015	bisoprolol fumarate Tablet	2.5 mg Oral Once a Day		
08–Dec–2015	amoxicillin Capsule	500 mg Oral Every Eight Hours for 5 days		

PRN Medications

Start	Medication (2)	Dose	Ceased / Completed	i
08–Dec–2015	paracetamol Tablet	1 g Oral When Required minimum dosage interval 4 hours		
08–Dec–2015	salbutamol 100microgram MDI	1 to 2 Puffs Inhalation When Required minimum dosage interval 4 hours		

Left side buttons: Medications, Administration, Chart History, Admin History, Script History, Patient History

Step 1

Enter the details of the alert

Edit Patient Alert

Alert text Patient needs assistence with medications

Show from 08–Dec–2015   at 12:43

Show ⦿ Until patient discharged

○ Until _____ at _____

○ For _____ Hour(s) ▾

Show an alert when ☑ Administering Medications

☐ Prescribing Medications

☐ Commencing a Pharmacy Review

☐ Prescribing for Discharge

Comment patient has left sided weakness so requires assistence with taking medication

[Continue]   [Cancel]

Step 2

Select the timescale for the alert. This can be until discharge or set up for a specific time scale

Step 3

Select the action when the alert is to appear. If the alert is relevant to colleagues who are administering, prescribing or reviewing the medications tick the relevant box(es)
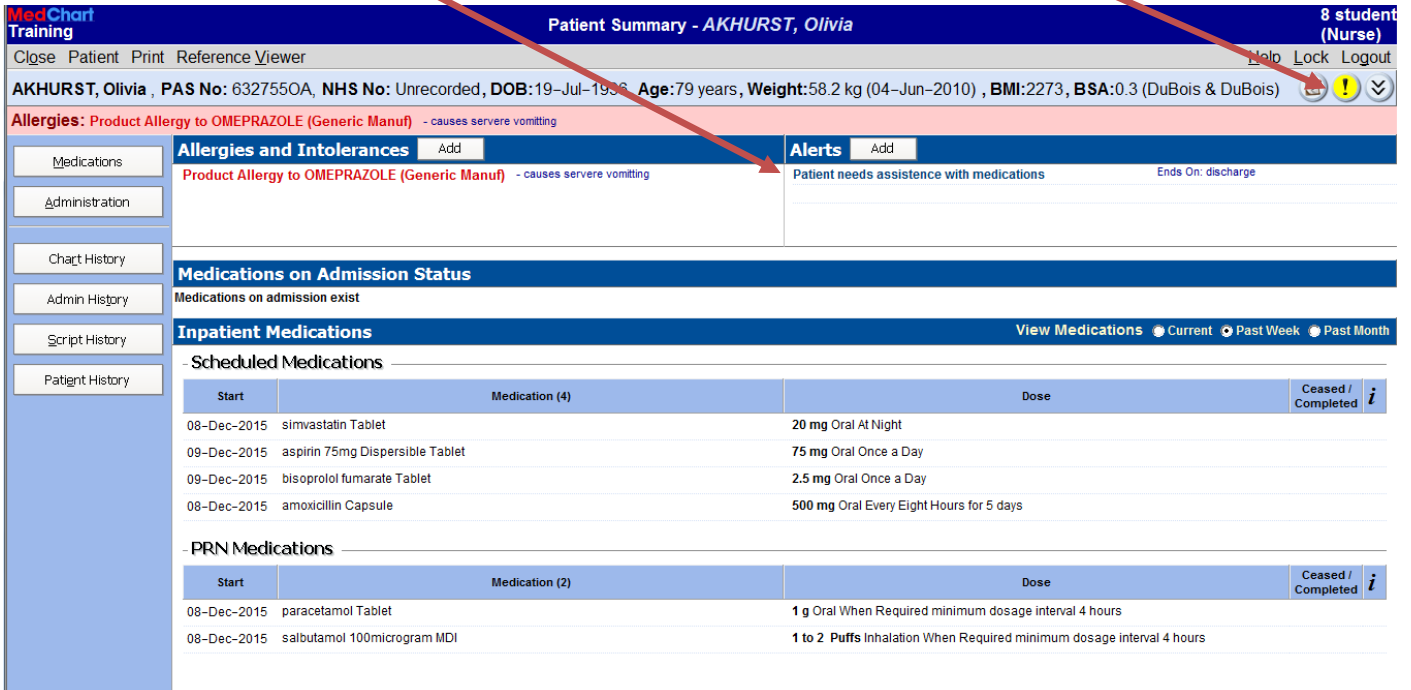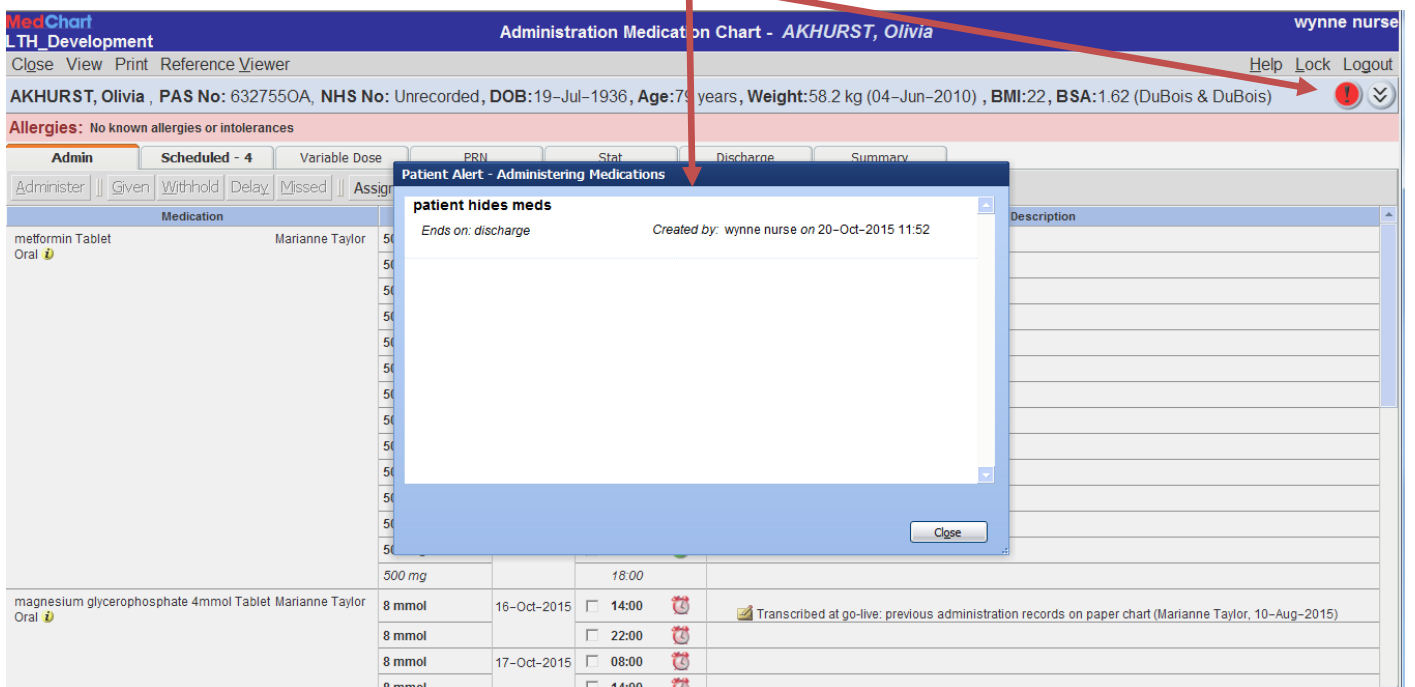
Step 4

Add further details in the comment field

Step 5

Click continue to confirm alert

Adding Alerts

The alert appears here on the Summary screen

The ! icon has now turned yellow to indicate there is an alert present

The alert will appear when you access the pages on eMeds which are relevant to the action selected when setting up the alert. The ! icon will also change to red to highlight the alert is relevant to the information on this page.

Note: The use of alerts does not replace written and/or verbal handover information