Z DISPENSE

Release Notes – Z Dispense 3.0.118 (October 2026)

What's New in this Update?

Updated Z Dispense to 64-Bit

We have updated Z Dispense from 32-Bit to 64-Bit. This allows the application to take advantage of more system memory and improves performance and long-term compatibility with newer operating systems.

This is an internal change only - you should not notice any difference in appearance or functionality.

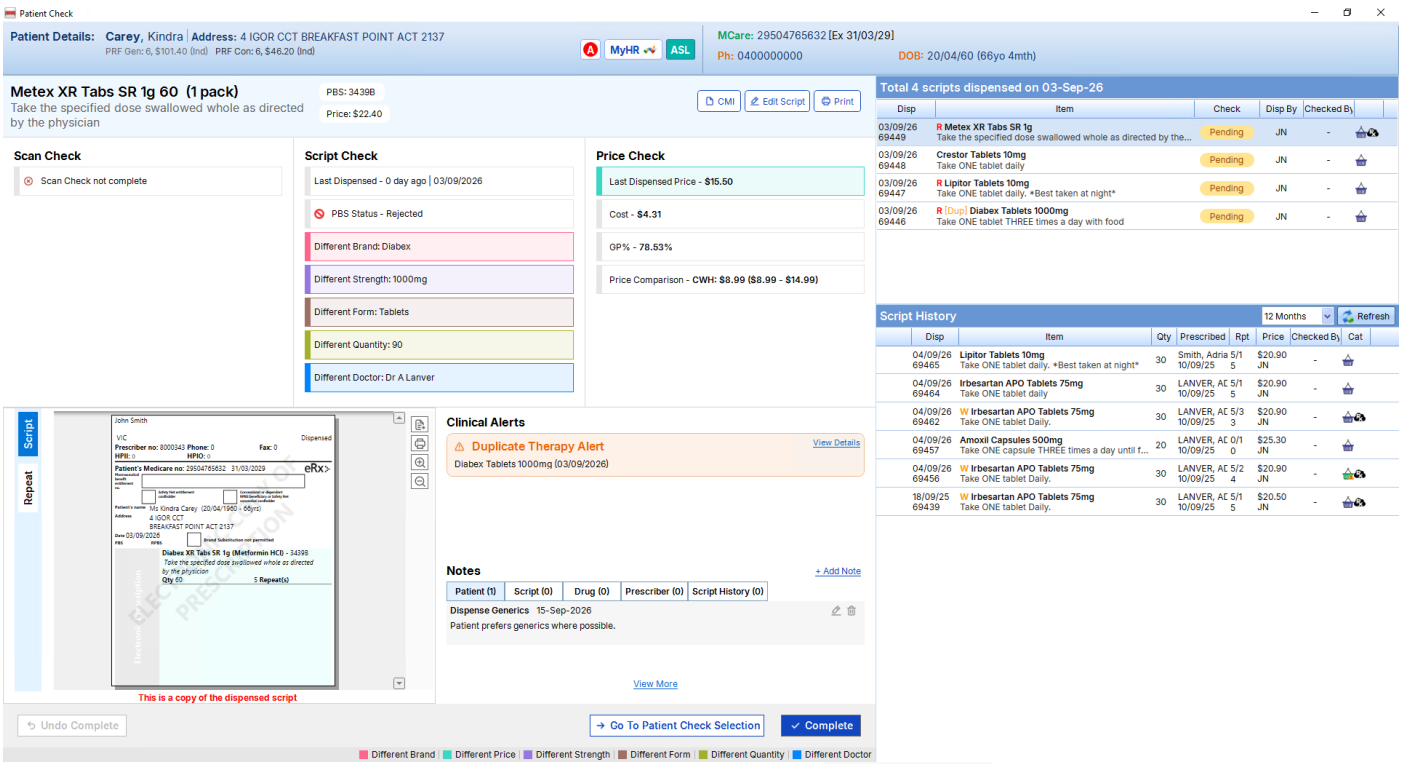
Patient Check

We have added a new Patient Check feature, providing pharmacists with a dedicated workflow for completing and recording their final review of a dispensing.

Patient Check has been designed particularly for pharmacies where dispensing activities may be shared across the pharmacy team before the pharmacist completes the final check. It can also support any pharmacy wanting a more focused and consistent final-review workflow.

Patient Check brings the pharmacist's final review into a dedicated workflow, providing relevant patient and dispensing information together to support a more focused check.

Patient Check is an additional check and does not replace Scan Check.
Scan Check verifies that the physical product selected matches the medication being dispensed. Patient Check supports the pharmacist's broader final review of the patient and dispensing.



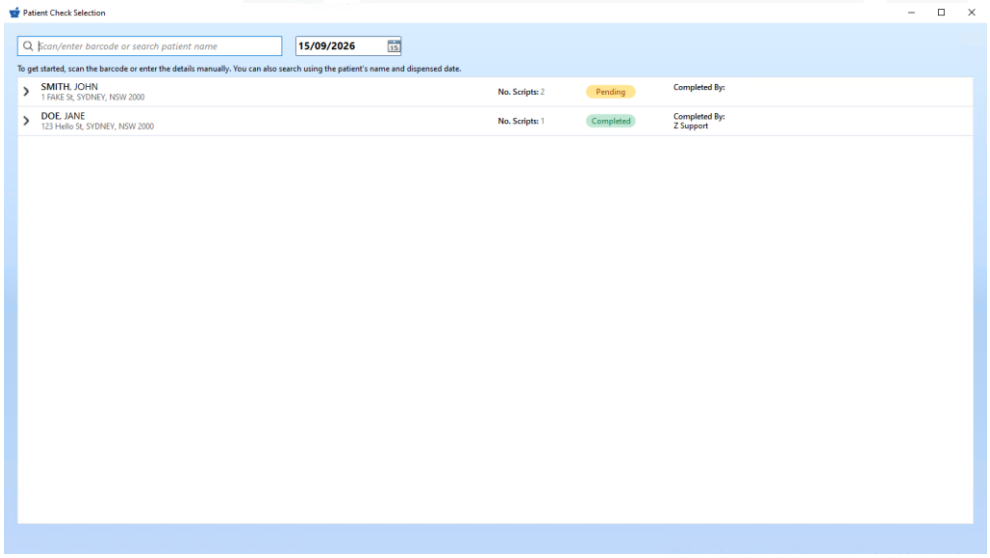
Accessing Patient Check and Selection Window

To access Patient Check:

1. Go to Z Dispense > Patient Check

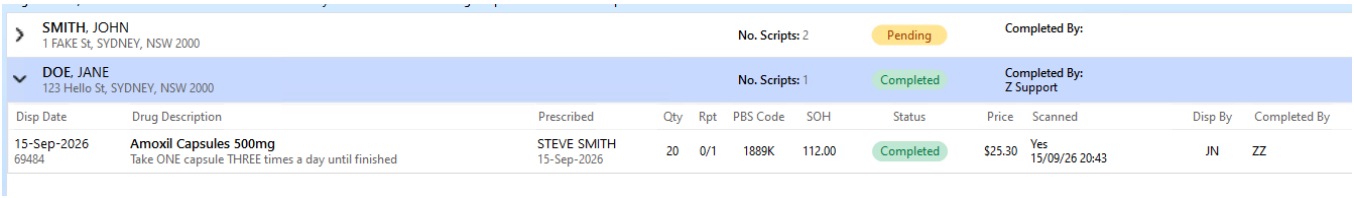


2. This should bring up the Patient Check Selection window:



It will show all scripts dispensed for the selected date, defaulting to today's date.

The Patient Check Selection also gives you a quick snapshot of the scripts and their status. You can expand to view more details of a patient's script by clicking on their name:



You will be able to see the Patient Check status of scripts as well. If there are any scripts dispensed on that day for a patient that hasn't been completed, it will display the group as Pending.

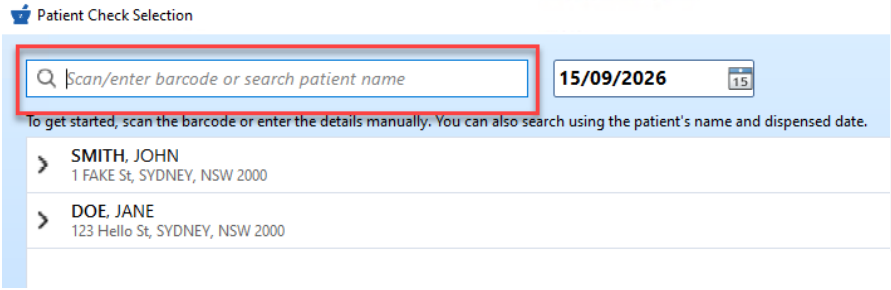
Performing a Patient Check

There are currently 2 options available to perform a patient check – either through the Patient Check Selection Window or Enhanced Barcode Scan.

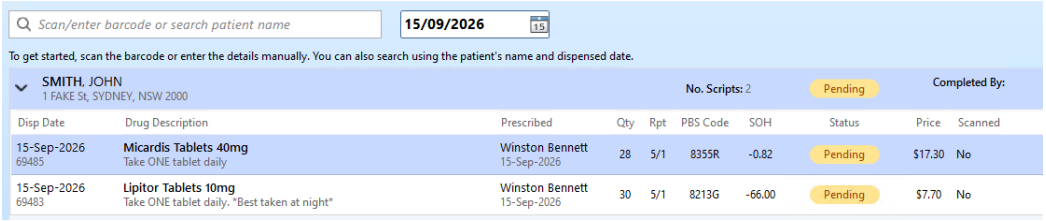
Patient Check Selection Window

As mentioned above, you can perform a patient check through the Patient Check Selection Window. In the Patient Check Selection, you can either:

1. Scan the script barcode in the search window to bring up the patient's scripts dispensed on that day:



2. Search for the patient in the search window and double click the script you wish to perform the patient check on:



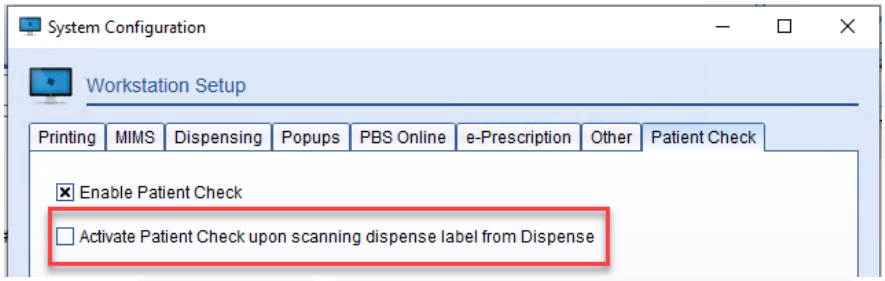
Opening Patient Check by Scanning the Dispense Label

You can enable the dispense label barcode to automatically bring up the Patient Check window.

> With this setting enabled, instead of opening the **Enhanced Barcode Check** when scanning the dispense label, it will bring up the **Patient Check window** instead.

To enable this setting:

1. Go to Settings > Workstation > Patient Check
2. Tick 'Active Patient Check upon scanning dispense label from Dispense'



3. Press Save

Navigating Patient Check

There are multiple sections in Patient Check that can help you review the patient and dispensing information.

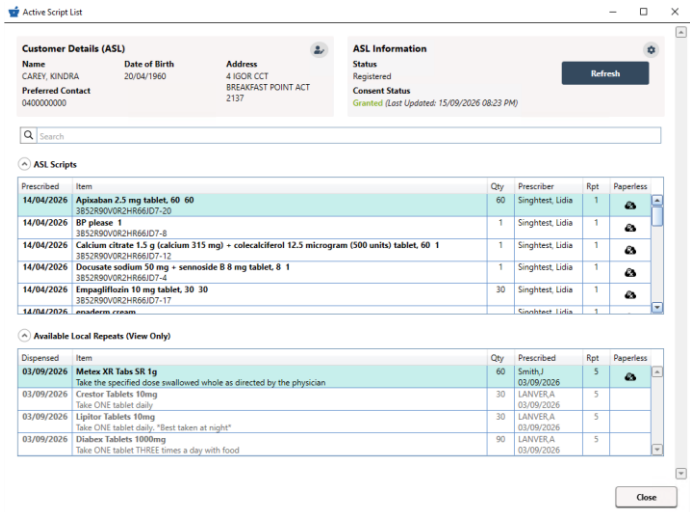
Patient Details



In the Patient Details section, you will be able to see the patient's name, PRF details, entitlement details, contact details and date of birth.

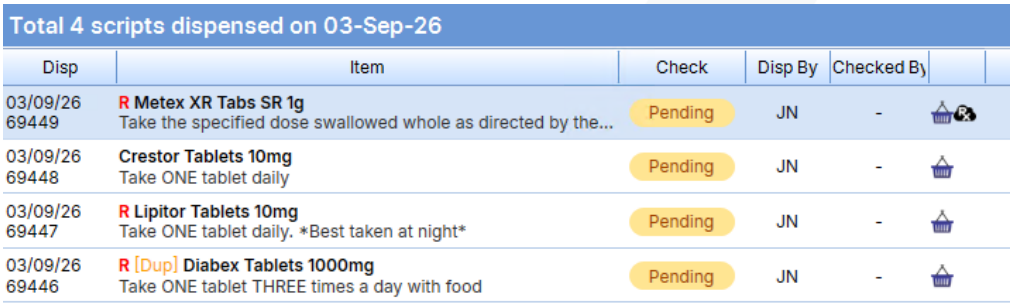
If the patient also has an IHI and registered for Active Script List, you will be able to access their My Health Record and Active Script List.

Active Script List will be **view only** and you won't be able to select scripts to dispense:

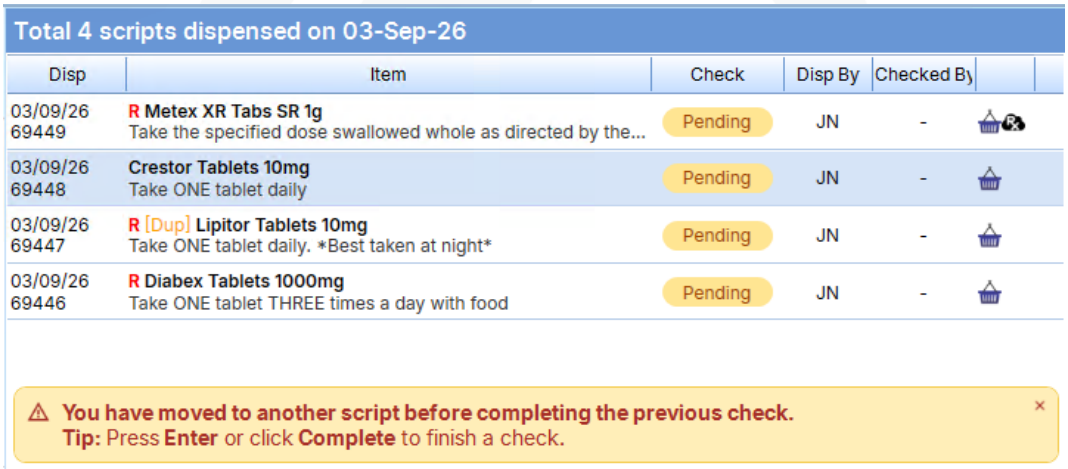


Patient Check List & Medication Details

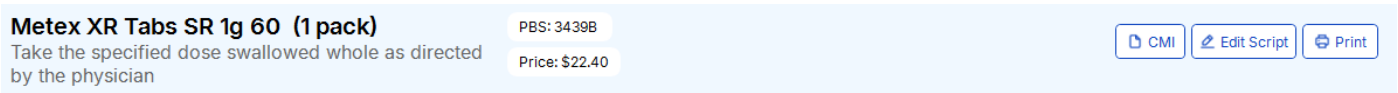
The Patient Check List will show all the scripts that have been dispensed on the same day as the script that has been selected to review in Patient Check.



Selecting the script in this list will bring up that medications' details for Patient Check. If you move away from a script where the Patient Check hasn't been completed, we will alert you that you haven't completed the previous check:

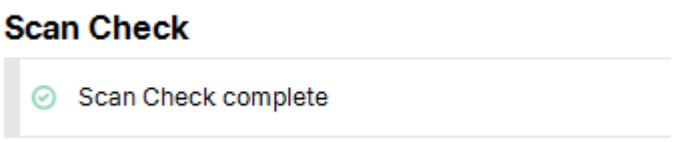


The Medication Details will display the medication name, directions, PBS Code (if available) and Price. You can also print the CMI or Edit Script through the button or the keyboard shortcut 'E' or trigger the printing options through the Print button:

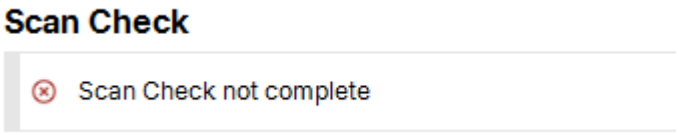


Scan Check

The Scan Check section will display the barcode scanned status of the medication.

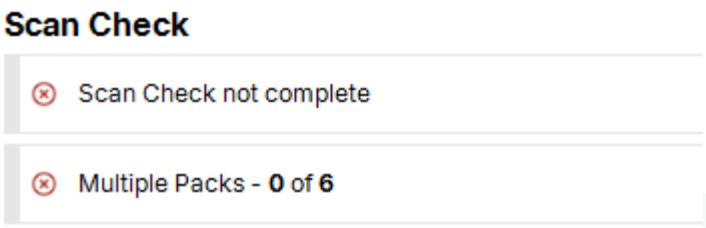


*Barcode Scan of Medication **Completed***

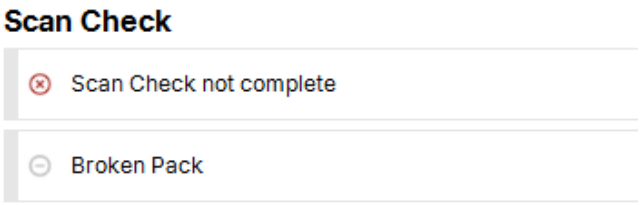


*Barcode Scan of Medication **Not Completed***

If you have the multiple pack enabled for Enhanced Barcode Check, it will display the number of packs or broken packs and their status:



Multiple Pack Indicator



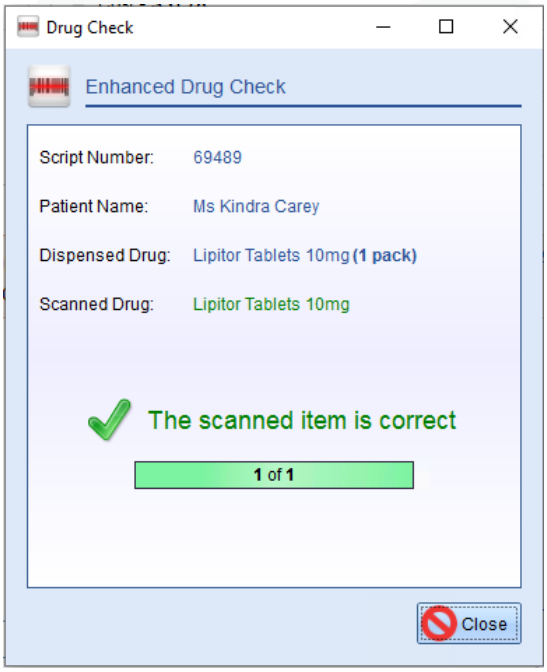
Broken Pack Indicator

Completing a Scan Check in Patient Check

If you haven't completed a barcode scan for the medication, you can:

- Scan the product barcode of the medication straight into Patient Check; or
- Press the keyboard shortcut '**B**'

Which will bring up the Enhanced Barcode Check, then correctly refresh the Scan Check status in Patient Check.



Script Check, Price Check & Script History

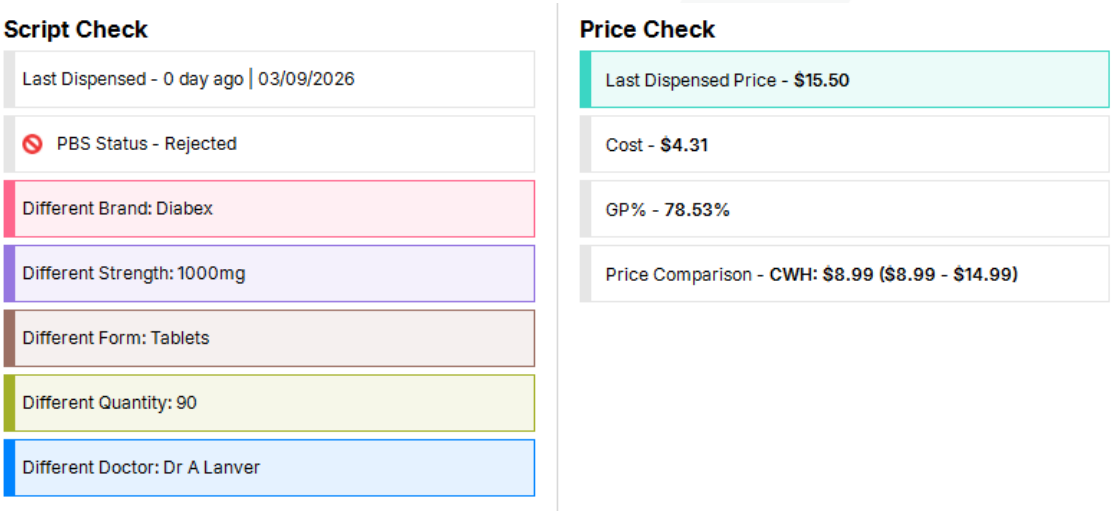
The Script Check, Price Check & Script History section helps you compare the script against the Patient's History.

We currently flag the following:

- Different Brand
- Different Price
- Different Strength
- Different Form
- Different Quantity
- Different Doctor

The legend will appear at the bottom of Patient Check as well for your reference.

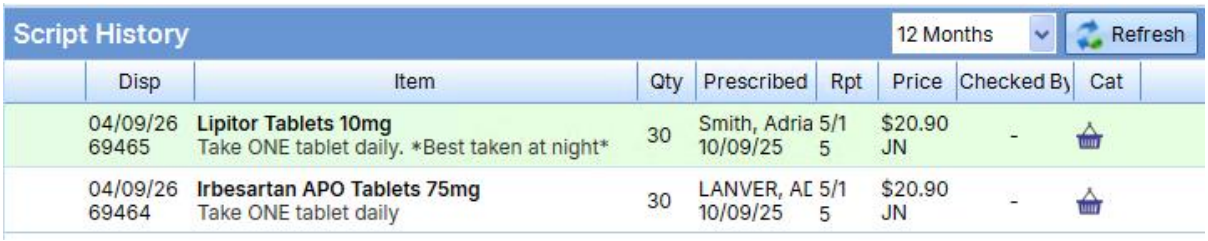
These colours will be highlighted in the Script Check and Price Check against the Script History for you to compare any differences in the medication.





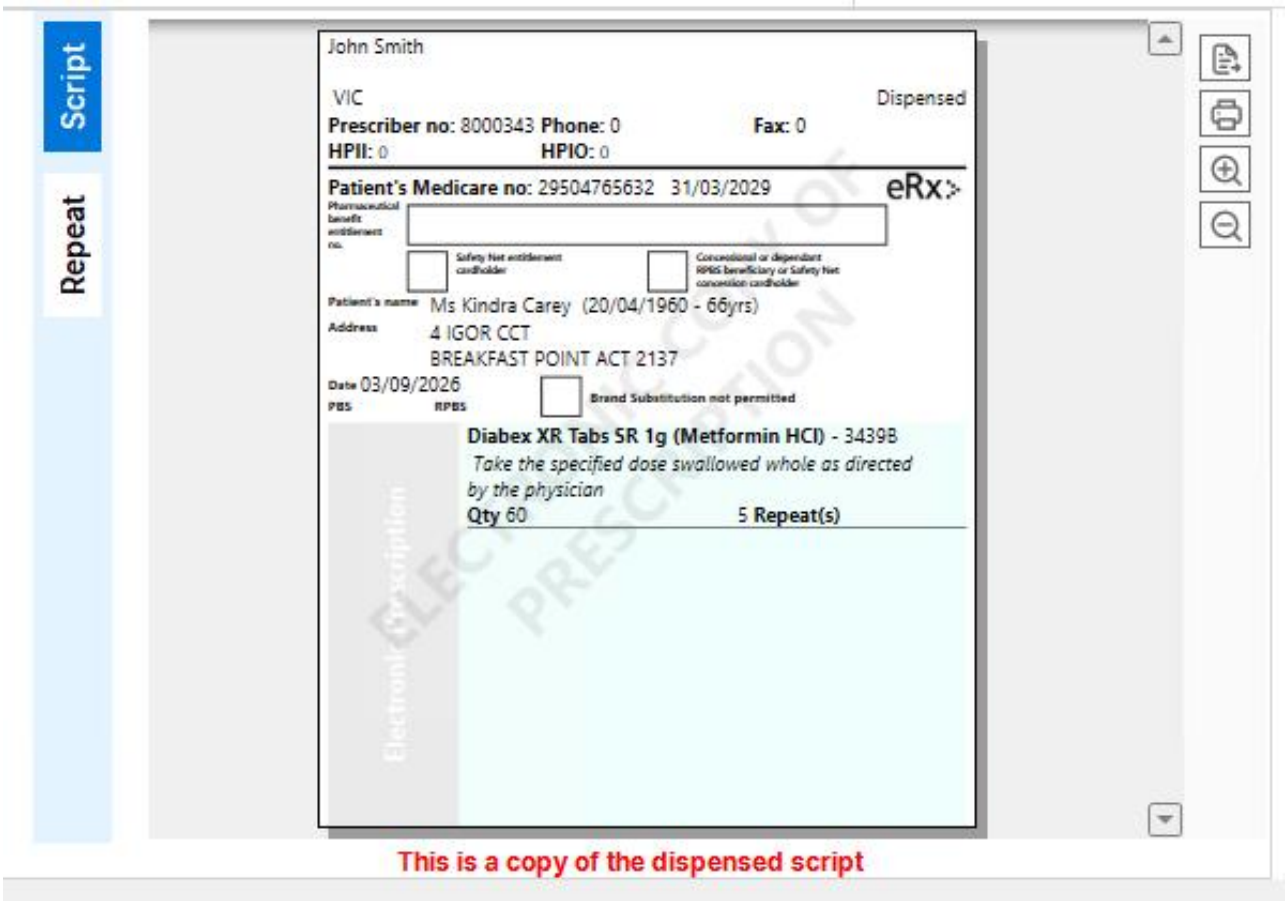
In the Script History, we compare the **generic category** of the medication to highlight any differences between the scripts. We also highlight the differences between medication, QTY, Prescriber and Price as well.

For medications that have no differences, they will be highlighted in green:



eScript Viewer

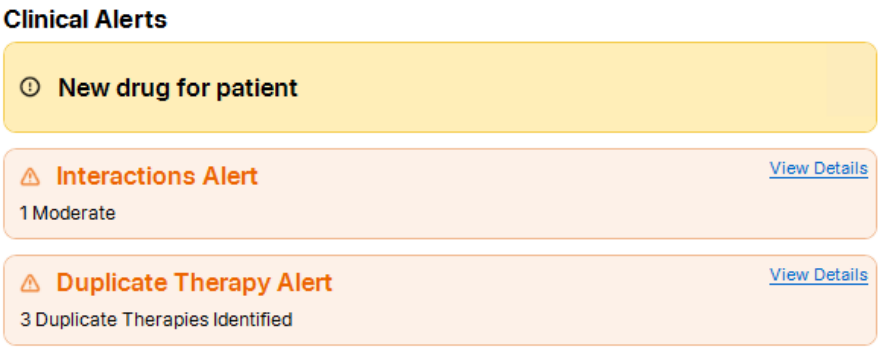
For Paperless Scripts (eScripts and eNRMCs), we will display the eScript in our dedicated eScript Viewer section to help you view the paperless script information when performing the Patient Check:



If there is no eScript to display, then it will show ‘No E-Script to Display’.

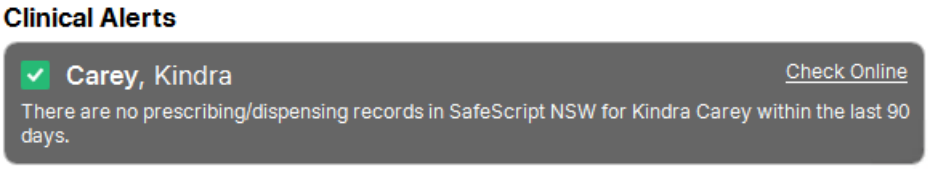
Clinical Alerts

The Clinical Alerts section will display useful clinical information for the script:



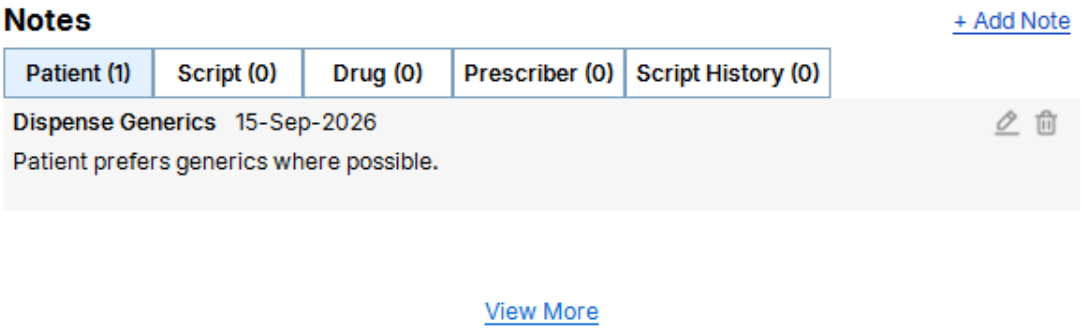
If the medication is new, it will display the 'New drug for patient' alert. If there are any MIMS interactions or duplicate therapies, these will also be displayed. You can click on the View Details to view the interaction or duplicate therapy alert.

We also display the Real Time Prescription Monitor (RTPM) alert at the time of dispensing:

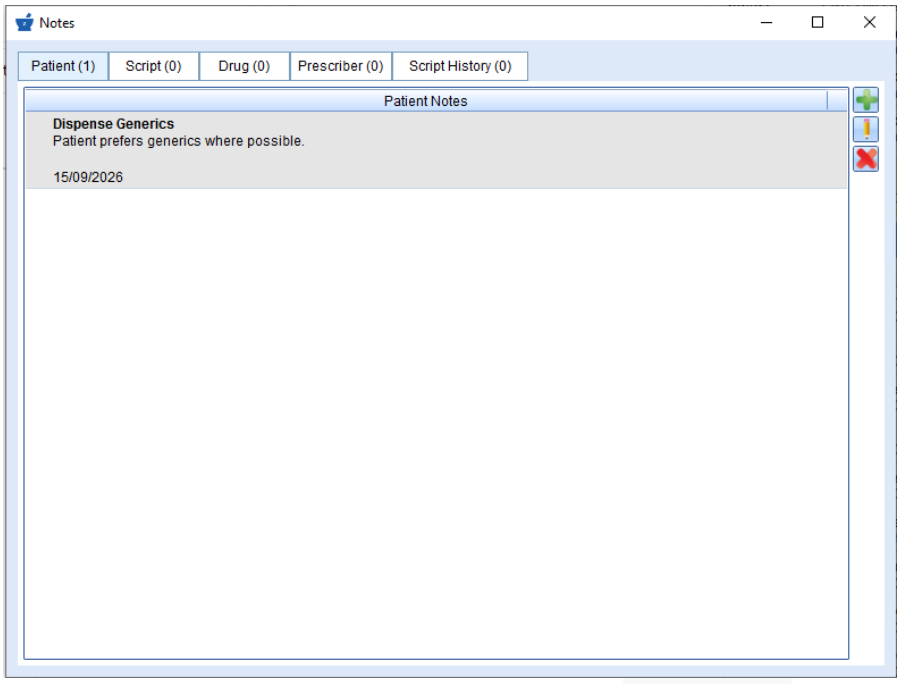


Notes

The Notes section will display the Patient, Script, Drug, Prescriber and Script History Notes so you can quickly check any notes for the patient or script.



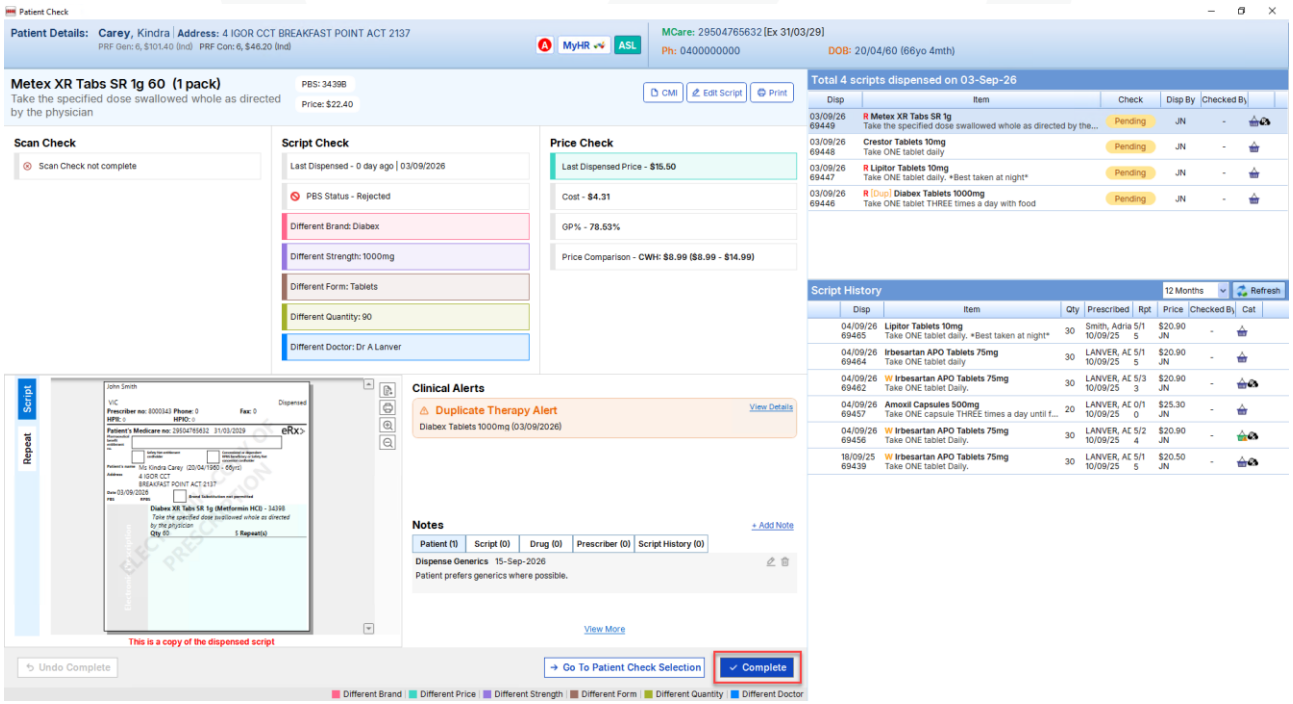
We will display the latest 2 notes of each note category, but you will be able to click on the **View More** link to go through all the notes available:



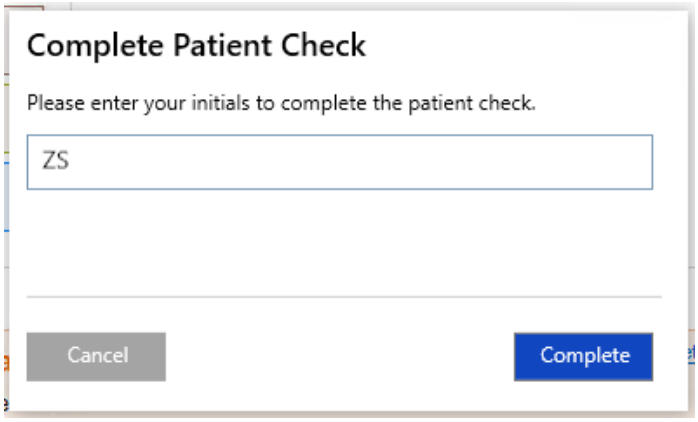
You can also click on the **+ Add Note** link to quickly add additional notes as needed.

Completing a Patient Check

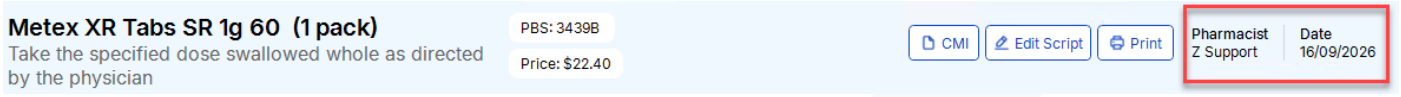
Once you have reviewed through the script and want to complete the Patient Check, you can press the ✔ **Complete** button or the keyboard shortcut '**Enter'**.



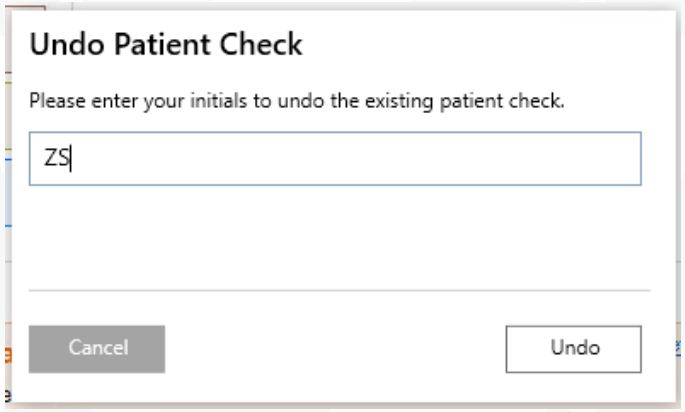
The Complete Patient Check prompt should appear with the logged in pharmacist's initials. You can either press Complete to proceed with these initials, or change the initials first and then press Complete to proceed.



Once the Patient Check has been completed, the pharmacist details who completed the Patient Check will appear in the top right of the Medication Details, alongside with the date:



If you need to uncomplete a Patient Check, you can use ↶ **Undo Complete** button to undo the existing check. It will prompt you to enter in your initials to Undo:



Disabling Patient Check

Patient Check will automatically be enabled on all workstations. If you wish to **disable** Patient Check on a workstation:

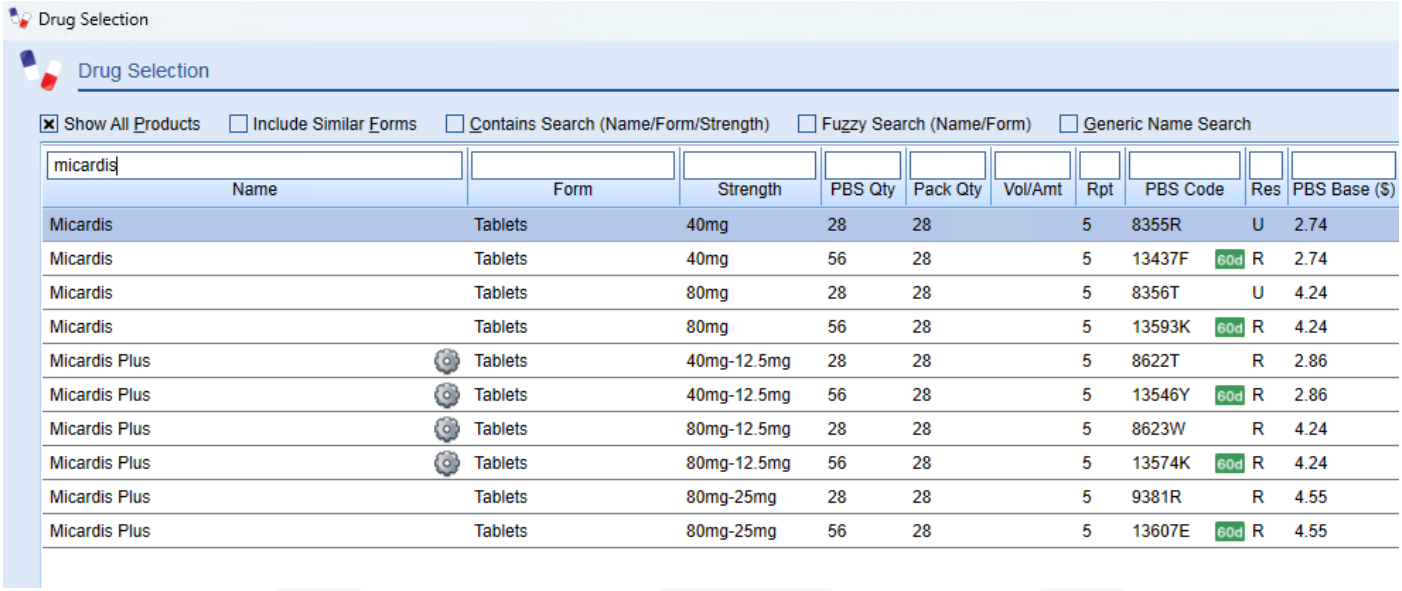
1. Go to Settings > Workstation > Patient Check
2. Untick ‘Enable Patient Check’
3. Press Save

Added 60 Day Dispensing Indicator

We have added a 60-day Dispensing Indicator (60d) in Z Dispense to help make it easier for you to be able to see which medications are 60-day dispensing items.

The indicator will appear:

- In the Drug Selection screen
- In the Middle Panel of Z Dispense
- In the Script History and Script List (F4) screens



Other Changes in this Update

- Added prompt to print extra labels for Estrogel Pro Medicine Co-Pack
- Added new prescriber type "Designed Registered Nurse" to support Designated RN Prescribing
- Added Patient Date of Birth component to Webster Pack Label Design to support NSW Legislation Changes from 5th November

What's Fixed in this Update?

No changes in this update.

Looking for the old release notes?

Previous release notes of Z Dispense can be found and downloaded from the Z Help Portal. If you don't have a login to the online portal, please contact Z Support.

Have Feedback?

If you have any feedback (good or bad) on any of the new features, please let us know by contacting Z Support.