



## An Introduction to Pivotell Automatic Pill Dispensers



For those on a complex pill regime, taking prescribed medication at the right dose and at the right time can be confusing and difficult.

Not taking medication as prescribed can have major consequences, particularly if the person is elderly or vulnerable.

A **key benefit** of Pivotell automatic pill dispensers is that they make the correct dose, **and only the correct dose**, available at the **correct time**. All other pills are safely locked in the dispenser out of sight, helping prevent an incorrect dose or an overdose being taken.

Recent studies have shown that the use of Pivotell dispensers results in better self-management of medication, enabling a person:

- to enjoy an improved quality of life
- to remain independent at home for longer **and**
- to be **less reliant on family members, health and social care services**.

If a person:

- has a problem managing their medication,
- is on a stable medication regime,
- **wants** to take their medication correctly, but has some confusion, so that he or she:
- has difficulty remembering time and date and
- has difficulty making a rational choice about which compartment to open in a medication blister pack or dosette box then-

he or she may benefit from a **Pivotell Automatic Pill Dispenser**.

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Pivotell dispensers have been continuously developed over many years - there are now four models to suit different individual's needs:-

**'Pivotell Mark 3/11' dispenser** has been widely used for many years throughout the UK by both local authority adult care services and the NHS to help older people take their medication correctly. This dispenser can be set to present up to 28 doses daily and includes many advanced features assisting the user, carer and pharmacist. This dispenser can also be adapted to link to Telecare systems.

**'Pivotell Advance' dispenser** has important additional functions including new display and security features which further assist users, their family or carers, and the pharmacist filling it. This dispenser is also now widely used by health and social care professionals and can also be adapted to link to Telecare systems.

**Pivotell Advance (GSM) dispenser**, includes a GSM phone module and will send a number of e-mail and text alerts to family members or carers if, for example, medication is not taken on time. This enables an early response to be made which might prevent an adverse event occurring.

**Pivotell Pager Dispenser** is designed to help people who are deaf or have hearing impairment. It has an integral transmitter which triggers an alarm (vibration, sound or flashing light) on any Bellman® Visit 868 System receiver.

Full details of these dispensers can be found on our website and CD video guides.

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