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	SCHEDULE 5 & 6 MEDICATION STORAGE COMPLAINTS CHECKLIST	

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Standard: 2.3.1.1.3.1 – Secure Storage of Schedule 5 and 6 Medicines

Assessment Type: Observation

Risk Rating: Vital Measure

 Instructions:

- Observe whether **Schedule 5 and/or Schedule 6** medicines are kept at the practice.
- If such medicines **are kept**, verify if the **storage area is always locked** and access is restricted.
- If no S5 or S6 medicines are stocked, mark as **Not Applicable (N/A)**.

 Observation Criteria

Observation Item	Score (1 = Yes / 0 = No / N/A)	Comments
1. The practice stocks Schedule 5 and/or Schedule 6 medicines		e.g. "S5: Diazepam", or "None kept"
2. A designated, lockable storage cabinet or room is used		Cabinet location: e.g. "Dispensary Room"
3. Cabinet or safe was observed to be locked at time of inspection		"Yes, locked" or "Left open"
4. Only authorised personnel (e.g., licensed prescriber or pharmacist) have access		How is access controlled?
5. A key log or access control system is in place (if applicable)		Manual key log / digital access / N/A

 Scoring Summary

Total Score Maximum Score Compliance %

5

 Regulatory Note:

Per the **Medicines and Related Substances Act**, Schedule 5 and 6 medicines must be:

- Stored in a **locked cupboard, cabinet, or safe**,
- Accessed **only by authorised personnel**,

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- **Documented** in a controlled drug register where applicable.

 Recommendations (if non-compliant):

- Lockable cabinet or controlled access system must be installed immediately.
 - Review and enforce access rights to high-schedule medicines.
 - Conduct and document regular stock counts of controlled substances.
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Auditor Name & Title: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

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Receipt Acknowledgement for this SOP

I have read and been informed about the content, requirements, and expectations of this policy for this practice. I understand that if I have questions, at any time, regarding this policy, I will consult with my immediate supervisor or my Human Resources staff members. Please read the policy/procedure carefully to ensure that you understand the policy/procedure before signing this document.

Employee Signature	Employee Printed Name	DATE	Employee Signature	Employee Printed Name	DATE