



Free-Text Allergies: “Just say ‘No!’”

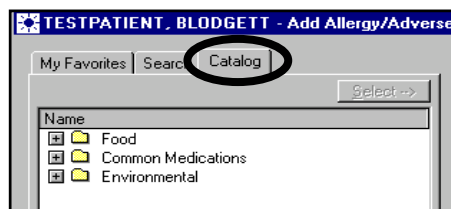
- As with Drug allergies, it is also important to not enter free-text allergies for food or environmental allergies.
- Functionality now exists with CBORD, the Nutrition/Dietary software, to cross-check a patient’s food allergies with their ordered diet. This will ONLY work if food allergies are entered from the catalog or the search engine, NOT as free-text.

A few important facts on entering Allergies:

Click on the catalog tab.

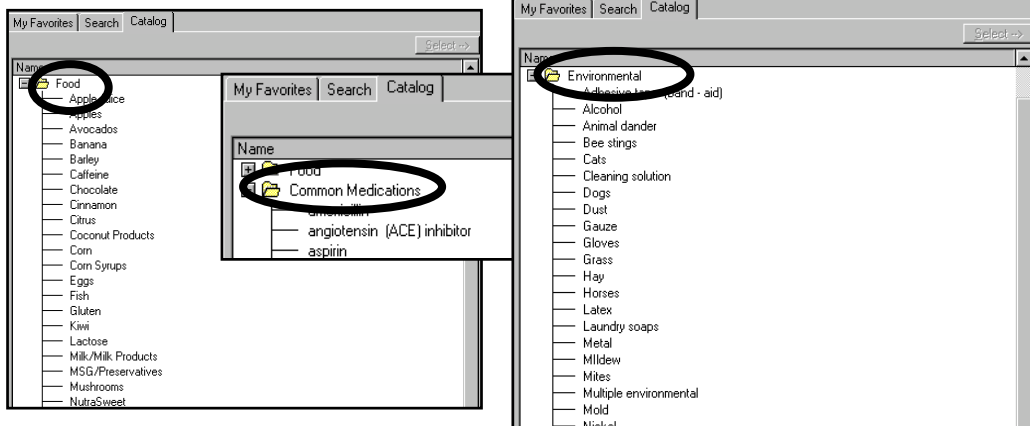
This “Catalog” tab has three sub-folders:

- Food
- Common Medications
- Environmental



These subfolders contain the names of common substances to which patients may be allergic, and provide a short cut for searching for the correct substance. Use the Search function for any drug that is not in the folder.

Contents of the three Allergy Catalogs:



NEVER FREE-TEXT ANY ALLERGY! The Allergy cross-referencing function for both Drug and Food allergies does not work with free-text.

NOTE: If you enter a food or environmental allergy, the Category box will be highlighted as a required field. Click on the arrow and choose the correct category.

