

Table 4 Drug use indicators of clinics in Gaza Strip by time of the month in which the prescriptions were prescribed

Drug use indicator	Time of month			F-value ^a	P-value
	First 10 days (n = 552)	Days 11 to 20 (n = 550)	Last 10 days (n = 554)		
	Mean	Mean	Mean		
No. of drugs per prescription	2.03	1.92	1.81	7.25	0.001
% of drugs prescribed by generic name	6.4	4.7	5.5	1.93	0.145
% of drugs prescribed from EDL	97.0	97.3	98.3	5.38	0.005
% of key drugs available in clinics	84.4	79.4	83.3	0.49	0.617

^a*t*-way ANOVA.

n = number of prescriptions analysed; EDL = essential drugs list.