Take Your Medicine

A mobile app that helps somebody to take a daily medication.



How does Take Your Medicine work?

It's very simple to set up Take Your Medicine. All you need to do is:

- · set the time at which you take your medicine
- turn Reminders on.

When it's time to take your medicine, a system notification will appear on your phone to remind you. In the app, you can then press a button to say that you've taken your medicine so if you are not sure, you can check later.

You can also request another reminder in 15 minutes, if you're in the middle of something and it's not convenient to take your medicine just now.

Who is Take Your Medicine for?

The app is aimed at people who take a single daily medication and who are comfortable with mobile phones but may have memory issues, or just want an easy life.

To make the app visually accessible, we've used large, high contrast text and have avoided using black on white, which many people find hard to read.

Why not use a generic reminder app?

There are lots of reminder apps available, but they can be quite complicated to use, with lots of configuration options that can easily be got wrong.

Take Your Medicine is optimised for this one task, making it super simple and clear.

App Overview

The Home View is the main view of the app

Reminder is set to off by default so that no Reminder will be sent until the user has interacted with the app.

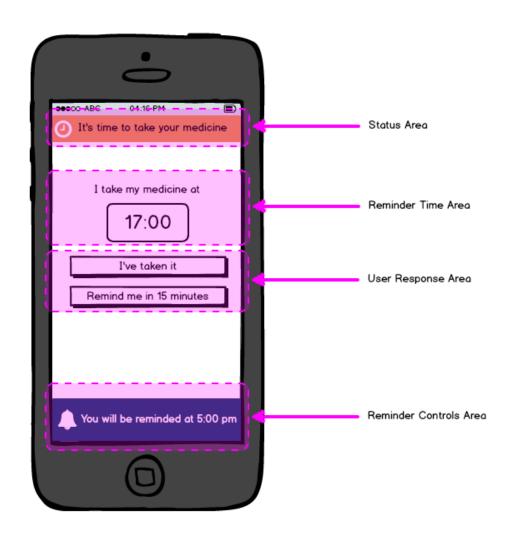
Note that the app must be open in order to set up system notifications, but once set up they will appear even if the app is not running.



Example Home View when Reminder is on.

The Home View

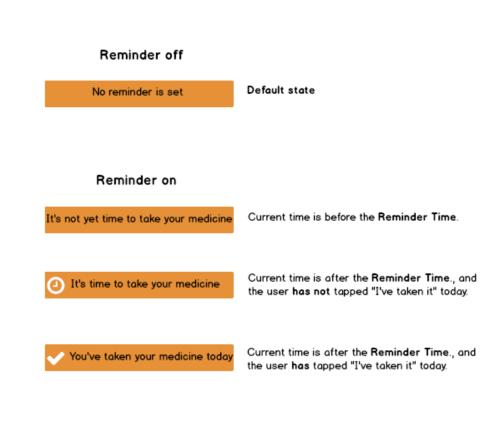
The Home View is the default view when the app is launched.



Home View - Status Area

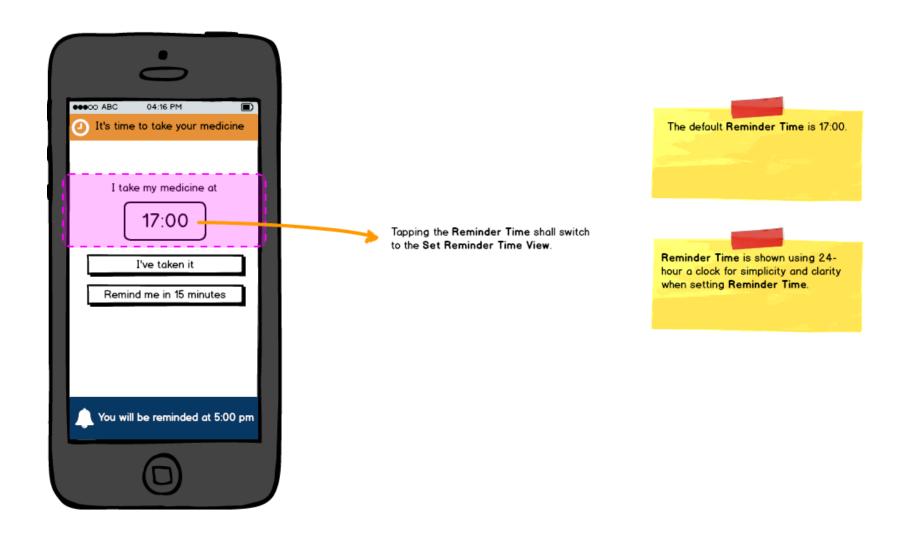
Tell the user whether they need to take their medicine now





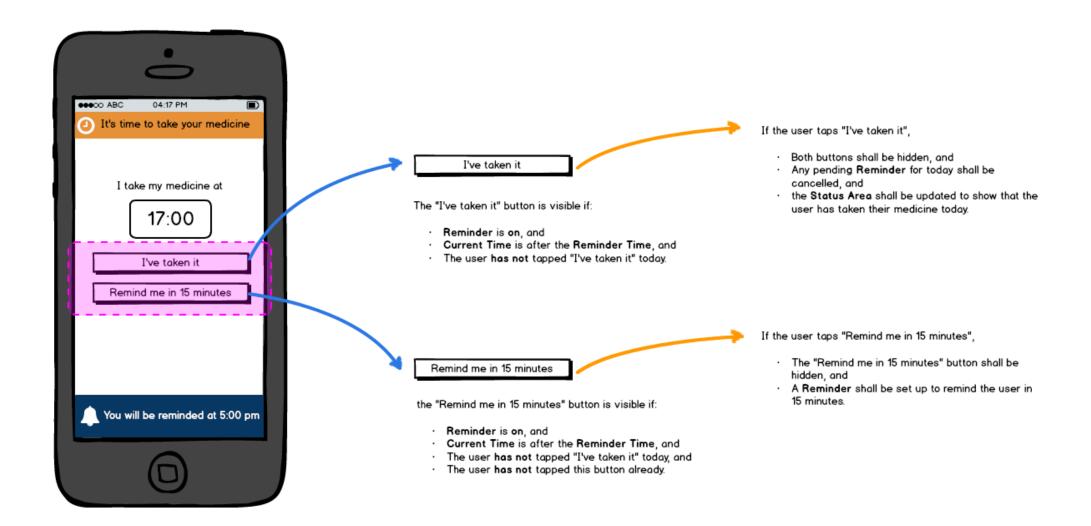
Home View - Reminder Time Area

Show and set the time at which the user should take their medicine



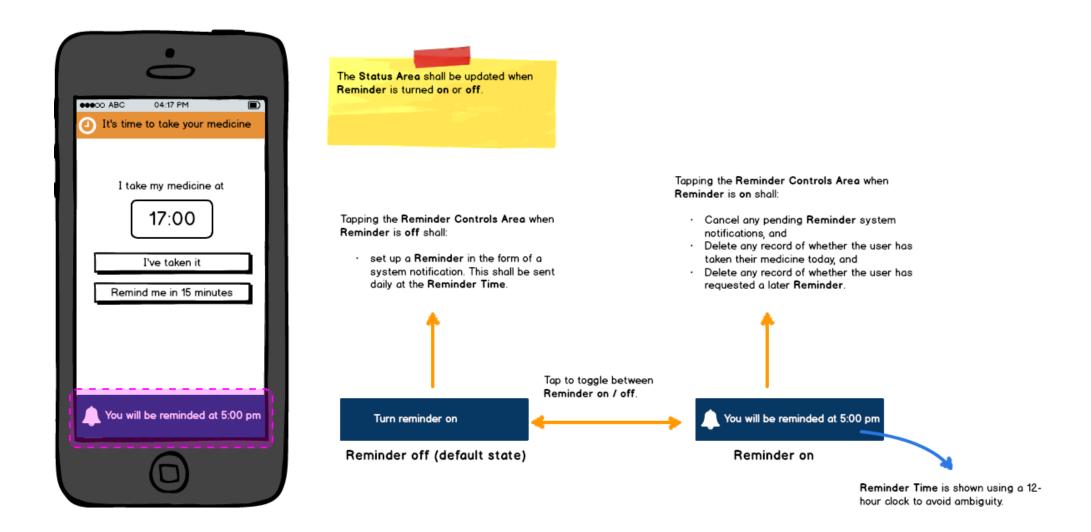
Home View - User Response Area

Allow the user to indicate that they have taken their medicine, or request a later reminder



Home View - Reminder Controls Area

Enable / disable a system notification Reminder to take your medicine.



Set Reminder Time View

Modify the time at which the user takes their medicine

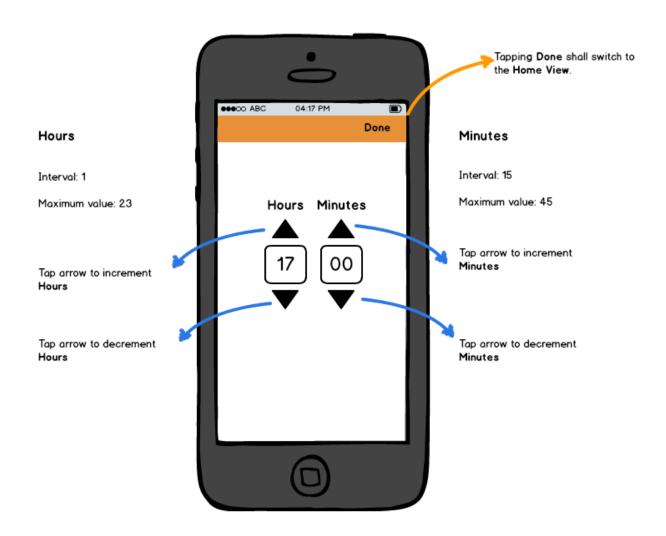
Both spinners wrap:

- If the spinner is incremented when it is at maximum value, it shall go to 0.
- If the spinner is decremented when it is at 0, it shall go to the maximum value.

Changes to Reminder Time are saved immediately, so that if the user quits the app while on this screen, the new values will be applied.

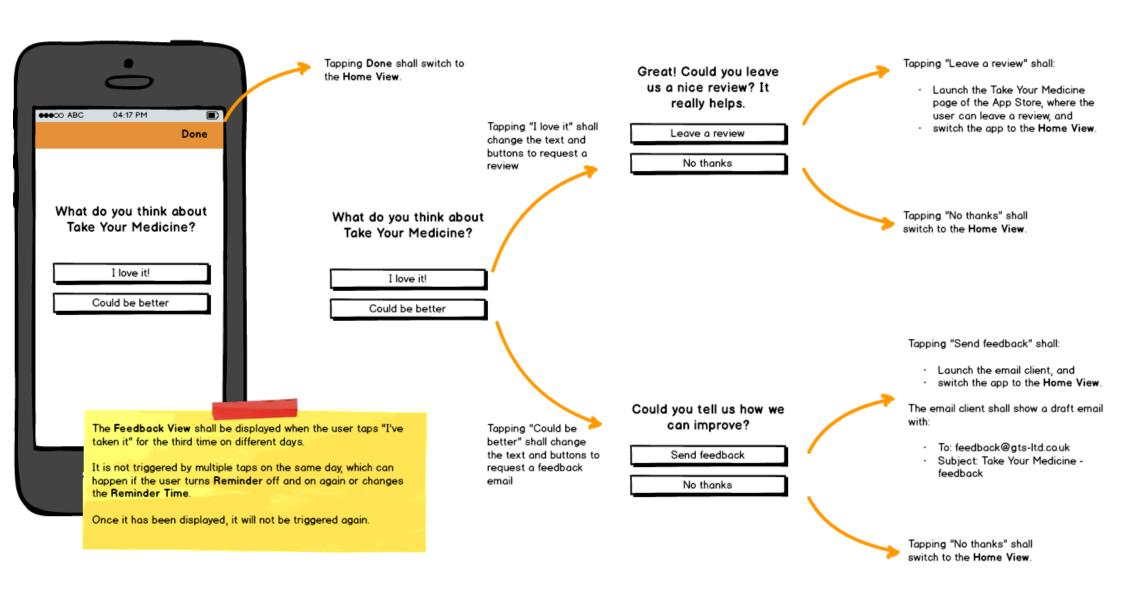
Changing the Reminder Time shall:

- Delete any record of whether the user has taken their medicine today, and
- Delete any record of whether the user has requested a later Reminder.



Feedback View

Ask the user to write a review on the App Store or send feedback via email



Future Directions

Possible enhancements, which could be offered in a future paid version of the app



Confirmation email

When the user takes their medicine, send an email to a designated person to confirm that they have taken it. This person may be a health professional or caregiver.

Technical issues:

- · The app must be connected to a server to send email.
- Access to a mail server. Mailgun has a free account but that only allows 300 emails per day. To use the user's own email account, their username and password would need to be entered and then saved locally.
- · Otherwise a system email server must be provided.



Confirmation photo

Prompt the user to take a photo which will be attached to the confirmation email. This would ensure they had not simply clicked the "I've taken it" button to make the app leave them alone.



Custom reminder text

Allow the user to customise the reminder text, for example to say what medicine to take.



Multiple reminders

Set up more than one daily reminder, for example for two different medicines at different times.

