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POLICY

Vital Signs (temperature, blood pressure, pulse) are checked at the nurse's discretion or on a written order from a physician. On rare occasions, vital signs may be taken on the request of the Resident/family or the physician. On these rare occasions, the health care team will provide health education needs to the Resident/family.

PROCEDURE

1. Vital signs will be taken at the nurse's discretion if this would contribute to the comfort of the Resident/family.
2. A temperature would be taken if Tylenol were to be given for a fever.
3. Results/reasons of any vital signs taken should be documented in the Resident health record (on the flow sheets and/or progress notes).