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Policy

The Salvation Army Agape Hospice relies on close collaboration with the contracted Pharmacy to meet the medication needs of the residents. This includes the immediate access to necessary medications after-hours. This policy will define the guidelines surrounding the use and maintenance of a STAT medication supply.

APPLICABILITY

Physician, Registered Nurse (RN), Pharmacist

POLICY ELEMENTS

- 1. All medications in the STAT medication supply are the property of the contracted pharmacy. As such, pharmacy maintains the supply. Every month, the pharmacist will audit and replace any out-dated medications.
- **2.** Agape Hospice will assume costs for any unaccounted medications in the STAT supply, unless it has been identified as an error by pharmacy.
- **3.** The STAT medication supply is to be accessed whenever a Resident's condition warrants immediate administration of the medication, and cannot wait until the contracted pharmacy is next available to transport the required medication to the facility.
- 4. The RNs are responsible for notifying the pharmacy when a medication is used, and to which resident it was used for. This will enable the. pharmacy to bill the resident for the medication. Pharmacy will send the facility a replacement dose of the medication for the STAT medication supply.





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- 5. Narcotics in the STAT Medication Supply are counted every shift by two RNs. If a resident requires a medication from the STAT supply, the narcotic is signed out on the STAT narcotic count record and added to the Resident specific narcotic record.
- 6. On an annual basis, the STAT Medication Supply list and quotas will be reviewed by the medical director, pharmacist, and nursing lead.

Procedure

The procedure below was supplied by the contracted pharmacy, to ensure consistency in communication with the pharmacy regarding usage, re-supplying, and charging residents for STAT medications used.

To replace STAT medications from pharmacy

- 1. Each order for medication is to be determined prior to faxing to pharmacy if the STAT supply will be used.
- 2. If STAT supply is used: remove the needed quantity of medication from the STAT supply.
- **3.** Remove the label from the side of the container, place it on the reorder sheet, and write the resident's name and quantity on the label.
- **4.** If the medication does not have a reorder label the nurse is responsible for handwriting the medication information on the reorder sheet.
- 5. Fax order to pharmacy with STAT medication indication on the original physician's order
- 6. Indicate drug name and the full quantity removed from the STAT supply.
- 7. When possible, prior to 1500, fax reorder sheet to pharmacy.
- Note: Indication of STAT medication use, prior to processing, and prior to sending the order to the pharmacy will eliminate work duplication and streamline STAT medication usage.