


Name of Policy: <u>Use and Storage of Drugs</u> Policy Number: 3364-137-SH-09 Department: Rehabilitation Services Approving Officer: Chief Executive Officer - UTMC Responsible Agent: Director, Therapy Services Scope: Rehabilitation Services	 Effective Date: 12/1/2019 Initial Effective Date: 5/1993		
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(A) Policy Statement

Drugs in the Rehabilitation Services Department will be used and stored in accordance with the policies established by the Director of Pharmacy at the University Medical Center under his/her license as a terminal distributor.

(B) Purpose of Policy

To comply with all laws and regulations concerning use and storage of drugs.

(C) Procedure

1. Outpatients requiring iontophoresis or phonophoresis treatment, or treatment that requires the use of topical anesthetic spray, will be required to obtain a written prescription from their physician for the medication or topical spray to be utilized in their treatment.
2. Outpatients will be responsible for having the prescription filled at their pharmacy of choice.
3. Outpatients receiving treatment that requires medication or topical anesthetic spray will be responsible for transporting the prescribed medicine or topical anesthetic spray to and from each appointment. Medications and topical anesthetic spray will not be stored in the outpatient rehabilitation department.
4. Inpatients with prescriptions for medications for iontophoresis or the use of topical anesthetic spray will have their medication stored in the Accudose (automated medication dispensing machine) located on their patient care unit.
5. Inpatient therapists requiring access to the medication will follow the procedure outlined in 3364-133-17 – Medication Control and Distribution policy.

Approved by: /s/ _____ Date _____ Marci Cancic Frey PT, DPT, MBA Director of Therapy Services /s/ _____ Date _____ Daniel Barbee RN, BSN, MBA, FACHE CEO <i>Review/Revision Completed By:</i> Marci Cancic Frey	Review/Revision Date: 5/1996 8/2006 2/1998 1/10/2010 9/1998 7/2013 8/1999 7/2014 10/2000 11/1/2016 3/2002 12/2019 9/2003 7/2005 Next Review Date: 12/1/2022
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