



Electronic Pharmacist Information Consultant
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Change of Status Policy and Procedure

POLICY:

Residents who experience a change of status as defined by F428 of the federal guidelines will have their medications reviewed by a licensed pharmacist.

PROCEDURE:

1. Facility designee E.P.I.C. Coordinator will complete the MEDICATION REVIEW REQUEST - FORM (EPIC-MRQ) or MEDICATION REVIEW REQUEST - FORM (EPIC-MRQ-SHORT) provided by the E.P.I.C. department and CHECK OFF **CHANGE OF STATUS**, and any of the event(s) to be evaluated in a "Change of Status".
2. Current **POS** (Physician Order Sheet) or Medication List will be submitted via Fax to:

E.P.I.C. Department
FAX: (732) 574-3469 or (732) 574-3926
3. **DO NOT SEND (RESIDENT/PATIENT) CHARTS OR MEDICAL RECORDS**
4. Within 48 business hours of receipt, the E.P.I.C. Consultant Pharmacist will review the Medication Regimen and forward a response to the long-term care facility. This review will be forwarded as a return fax or email in the following format:
 - Complaint
 - Observation
 - Recommendations
5. A copy of the E.P.I.C. report will be placed in the appropriate section of the patient's chart.
6. The facility is strongly encouraged to review the E.P.I.C. recommendations with the attending physician.