

Vermont Psychiatric Care Hospital Procedure

Pharmacy and Medication Contracted Service

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The Vermont Department of Mental Health has contacted with the Copley Hospital Pharmacy Service to provide all pharmacy services and to oversee all pharmacy-related processes at the Vermont Psychiatric Care Hospital (VPCH).

In addition to medications stocked in the Pyxis, Copley Hospital Pharmacy Service shall maintain a secure area at VPCH for the storage of medications. Access to the Copley Pharmacy storage area at VPCH shall be limited exclusively to Copley Hospital pharmacists and pharmacy technicians at the direction of a Copley Hospital pharmacist.

The VPCH Medical Director and Director of Nursing have collaborative authority to oversee the contractual relationship with Copley Hospital.

VPCH physicians and registered nurses shall adhere to Copley Hospital policies regarding Storage and Control of Medications.

VPCH nursing and medical staffs shall collaborate with the Copley Hospital Pharmacy Service to adapt Copley's policies, where required, to the Vermont Psychiatric Care Hospital.

Following is a list of the Copley Hospital policies dealing with control and storage of medications.

III-03.9	Drug Shortages
III-03.1	Medication Storage and Control
III-03.5	Patient's Own Medications
III-03.6	Refrigerated Drug Storage
III-03.10	Pyxis 3500 Policies and Procedures
III-03.11	Pyxis Override List
III-04.1	Prescribing/Ordering General Practices
III-04.4	Physician Signature/DEA Numbers
III-04.5	Automatic Therapeutic Interchange
III-05.1	Pharmacist Order Verification
III-06.1	Medication Administration
III-07.1	Medication Events
III-07.2	Adverse Drug Reaction Reporting
III-09.2	Unit Inspection

Approved by VPCH Policy Committee

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