

Vermont Psychiatric Care Hospital Policy and Procedure		
Indication for Use Medication		
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POLICY

The purpose of this policy is to establish guidelines for specification of the indication for use of medications ordered for the hospitalized individuals.

A diagnosis, condition, or indication for use for each medication ordered is documented in the individual’s medical record as everyone prescribing, dispensing, and administering medication(s) should know the reason for the medication being administered.

All PRN orders shall include the indication for medication use.

PROCEDURE

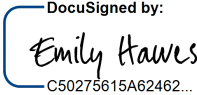
Indication for Medication Use in the Medical Record- A diagnosis, condition, or indication for use for each medication ordered for the hospitalized individual is documented in their medical record.

Orders for Medication- The indication for use for medication orders is required as follows- PRN orders shall include the indication for medication use.

Staff Awareness and Resources- those involved in the medication management of the hospitalized individual needs to know the reason for the medication being prescribed, dispensed, and administered, as recorded within the medical record. Resource sections within the medical record include, but are not limited to, the physician orders, progress notes, medical history, etc.

References

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