



INPATIENT MEDICATIONS

NURSE'S USER MANUAL

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Revision History

Each time this manual is updated, the Title Page lists the new revised date and this page describes the changes. If the Revised Pages column lists “All,” replace the existing manual with the reissued manual. If the Revised Pages column lists individual entries (e.g., 25, 32), either update the existing manual with the Change Pages Document or print the entire new manual.

Date	Revised Pages	Patch Number	Description
05/2007	24	PSJ*5*120	Modified Inpatient Medications V. 5.0 to consider the duration the same way as all other stop date parameters, rather than as an override. (R. Singer, PM; E. Phelps, Tech. Writer)
12/2005	1, 73-74b	PSJ*5*146	Remote Data Interoperability (RDI) Project: Removed document revision dates in Section 1. Introduction. Updated Section 4.9. Order Checks, to include new functionality for remote order checking. (E. Williamson, PM; M. Newman, Tech. Writer)
01/2005	All	PSJ*5*111	Reissued entire document to include updates for Inpatient Medications Orders for Outpatients and Non-Standard Schedules. (S. Templeton, PM, R. Singer, PM, M. Newman, Tech. Writer)

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- **“SCHEDULE:”** (Regular and Abbreviated)

This defines the frequency the order is to be administered. Schedules must be selected from the ADMINISTRATION SCHEDULE file, with the following exceptions:

- a. Schedule containing PRN: (Ex. TID PC PRN). If the schedule contains PRN, the base schedule must be in the ADMINISTRATION SCHEDULE file.
- b. Day of week schedules (Ex. MO-FR or MO-FR@0900)
- c. Admin time only schedules (Ex. 09-13)

While entering a new order, if a Schedule is defined for the selected Orderable Item, that Schedule is displayed as the default for the order.

- **“ADMINISTRATION TIME:”** (Regular)

This defines the time(s) of day the order is to be given. Administration times must be entered in a two or four digit format . If you need to enter multiple administration times, they must be separated by a dash (e.g., 09-13 or 0900-1300). If the schedule for the order contains “PRN”, all Administration Times for the order will be ignored. In new order entry, the default Administration Times are determined as described below:

- If Administration Times are defined for the selected Orderable Item, they will be shown as the default for the order.
- If Administration Times are defined in the INPATIENT WARD PARAMETERS file for the patient’s ward and the order’s schedule, they will be shown as the default for the order.
- If Administration Times are defined for the Schedule, they will be shown as the default for the order.

- **“SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:”** (Regular and Abbreviated)

These are the Special Instructions (using abbreviations whenever possible) needed for the administration of this order. This field allows up to 180 characters and utilizes the abbreviations and expansions from the MEDICATION INSTRUCTION file. For new order entry, when Special Instructions are added, the nurse is prompted whether to flag this field for display in a BCMA message box. When finishing orders placed through CPRS, where the Provider Comments are not too long to be placed in this field, the nurse is given the option to copy the comments into this field. Should the nurse choose to copy and flag these comments for display in a BCMA message box on the Virtual Due List (VDL), an exclamation mark “!” will appear in the order next to this field.



Note: For “DONE” Orders (CPRS Med Order) only, the Provider Comments are automatically placed in the SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS field. If the Provider Comments are greater than 180 characters, Special Instructions will display “REFERENCE PROVIDER COMMENTS IN CPRS FOR INSTRUCTIONS.”

- **“START DATE/TIME:”** (Regular and Abbreviated)

This is the date and time the order is to begin. For Inpatient Medications orders, the Start Date/Time is initially assigned to the CLOSEST ADMINISTRATION TIME, NEXT ADMINISTRATION TIME or NOW (which is the login date/time of the order), depending on the value of the DEFAULT START DATE CALCULATION field in the INPATIENT WARD PARAMETERS file. Start Date/Time may not be entered prior to 7 days from the order’s Login Date.

- **“STOP DATE/TIME:”** (Regular)

This is the date and time the order will automatically expire. The system calculates the default Stop Date/Time for order administration based on the STOP TIME FOR ORDER site parameter. The default date shown is the least of (1) the <IV TYPE> GOOD FOR HOW MANY DAYS site parameter (where <IV TYPE> is LVPs, PBs, etc.), (2) the NUMBER OF DAYS FOR IV ORDER field (found in the IV ADDITIVES file) for all additives in this order, (3) the DAY (nD) or DOSE (nL) LIMIT field (found in the PHARMACY ORDERABLE ITEM file) for the orderable item associated with this order or (4) the duration received from CPRS (if applicable). The Site Manager or Application Coordinator can change any fields. This package initially calculates a default Stop Date/Time, depending on the INPATIENT WARD PARAMETERS file except for one-time orders and Inpatient orders for Outpatients.

For a one-time order, the ward parameter, DAYS UNTIL STOP FOR ONE-TIME, is accessed. When this parameter is not available, the system parameter, DAYS UNTIL STOP FOR ONE-TIME, will be used to determine the stop date. When neither parameter has been set, the ward parameter, DAYS UNTIL STOP DATE/TIME, will be used instead of the start and stop date being equal.

- **“PROVIDER:”** (Regular and Abbreviated)

This identifies the provider who authorized the order. Only users identified as active Providers, who are authorized to write medication orders, may be selected.

- **“SELF MED:”** (Regular and Abbreviated)

Identifies the order as one whose medication is to be given for administration by the patient. This prompt is only shown if the ‘SELF MED’ IN ORDER ENTRY field of the INPATIENT WARD PARAMETERS file is set to On.