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		<b>Community Health Nursing</b>	
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**POLICY:**

**All registered nurses are accountable for the safe acquisition, documentation, distribution and eventual destruction of Controlled Drugs and Substances in accordance with the Nunavut Pharmacy and Therapeutics *Policy and Procedures for Handling Controlled Substances in Community Health Centres and Birthing Centre in Nunavut.***

**DEFINITIONS:**

For the purposes of this policy **Controlled Substances** collectively refers to narcotics, controlled drugs, benzodiazepines and other sedatives.

**PRINCIPLES:**

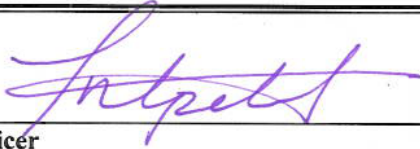

Additional Regional policies and protocols regarding controlled substances may exist and should be followed as an adjunct to the Nunavut Pharmacy and Therapeutics *Policy and Procedures for Handling Controlled Substances in Community Health Centres and Birthing Centre in Nunavut.*



**RELATED POLICIES, GUIDELINES AND LEGISLATION:**

*Controlled Drugs and Substances Act R.S.C. 1996, c. 19.*

*Nunavut Pharmacy and Therapeutics Policy and Procedures for Handling Controlled Substances in Community Health Centres and Birthing Centre in Nunavut*

Approved by:		Effective Date:
Chief Nursing Officer	11 FEB 2011 Date	April 1, 2011
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