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	Community Health Nursing		
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RN Initiated Drug Therapy		Pharmacy	09-002-00
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POLICY:

Registered nurses employed as a Community Health Nurse may implement drug therapy without a direct physician order only as directed by the *Nunavut Formulary*.

PRINCIPLES:

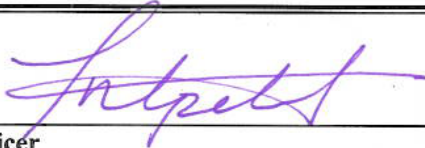

Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee will maintain an up to date Formulary and make copies available in each health centre.

RELATED POLICIES, GUIDELINES AND LEGISLATION:

Policy 09-004-00	Medication Administration – Nursing Practice
Guidelines 09-004-01	Guidelines for Administering Medications
Policy 09-005-00	Dispensing Medications
Policy 09-006-00	Administering or Dispensing Medications – Documentation
Policy 09-010-00	Repackaging Pharmaceuticals
Policy 09-011-00	Labeling Pharmaceutical Agents

REFERENCES:

Nunavut Pharmacy & Therapeutics Committee. *Nunavut Formulary*.

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