

§ 76894. Pharmaceutical Services - Requirements.

(a) Pharmaceutical services shall include, but are not limited to the following:

(1) Obtaining necessary drugs including the availability of 24-hour prescription service on a prompt and timely basis as follows:

(A) Drugs ordered for immediate use that are not available in the facility emergency drug supply shall be available and administered within one hour of the time ordered during normal pharmacy hours. For those hours during which the pharmacy is closed, such drugs shall be available and administered within two hours of the time ordered. Drugs ordered for immediate use which are available in the emergency drug supply shall be administered immediately.

(B) Anti-infectives and drugs used to treat severe pain, nausea, agitation, diarrhea or other severe discomfort shall be available and administered within four hours of the time ordered.

(C) Except as indicated above, all new drug orders shall be available on the same day ordered unless the drug would not normally be started until the next day.

(D) Refill prescriptions shall be available when needed.

(2) A drug distribution system which includes ordering and administration or disposal of medications.

(3) Provision of consultative and other services furnished by pharmacists which assist in the development, coordination, supervision and review of the pharmaceutical services within the facility.

(4) Upon admission of the client, a medication history of prescription and nonprescription drugs used shall be obtained by a licensed vocational nurse, registered nurse, psychiatric technician or pharmacist. If not taken by a pharmacist, the pharmacist shall review the history and document such review in the unit client record within 30 days of admission.

Note: Authority cited: Sections 1267.7, 1275 and 131200, Health and Safety Code.

Reference: Sections 1276, 131051, 131052 and 131053, Health and Safety Code.

HISTORY

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