

# FLOYD MEDICAL CENTER POLICY AND PROCEDURE MANUAL PATIENT CARE SERVICES



<b>TITLE: IV to PO Interchange By A Pharmacist</b>	<b>Policy No.: PCS-06-032</b>
<b>Purpose:</b> To establish a procedure for the changing of medications from the intravenous form to the oral form by the clinical pharmacist.	<b>Developed Date:</b> 6/97 <b>Review Date:</b> 2/09, 12/10, 4/15 <b>Revised Date:</b> 7/04, 8/07, 2/12, 11/17 <b>Review Responsibility:</b> Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee, Senior VP of Patient Care Services/CNO, Nursing Leadership
<b>Reference Standards:</b> MM.04.01.01	

## Policy:

The clinical pharmacist may change medications from IV to PO by writing a per policy order from the physician.

1. When the following criteria are met, the clinical pharmacist may change medications from the IV to PO form:
  - A. The patient is currently receiving an IV medication with a PO equivalent.
  - B. The patient has adequate gut function to allow for the accurate pharmacotherapy of the drug.
  - C. The medication is one of the following:
    - ◆ Azithromycin
    - ◆ Diflucan
    - ◆ Doxycycline
    - ◆ Flagyl
    - ◆ H 2 Antagonist
    - ◆ Linezolid
    - ◆ Metoclopramide
    - ◆ MVI
    - ◆ Proton pump inhibitor
    - ◆ Quinolone
    - ◆ Voriconazole
2. The physician will sign the per policy order on the chart within forty eight (48) hours.