

**POLICY AND PROCEDURE MANUAL
PHARMACY SERVICES**

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SECTION: **DEPARTMENT OF PHARMACY**

SUBJECT: **DRUG INFORMATION**

POLICY

Up-to-date pharmaceutical reference materials are provided to furnish the pharmaceutical, medical and nursing staffs with adequate information concerning drugs.

1. Drug information on actions, indications, contraindications, precautions, adverse drug reactions, and incompatibilities can be obtained by contacting either of the two pharmacies.

Outpatient Pharmacy	Extension	57236, 57237, 57238
Inpatient Pharmacy	Extension	57234, 57235, 57248

2. An information bulletin is published by DHS Pharmacy Affairs to inform departments/services of such matters as P & T decisions, new drugs available, and matters dealing with the safe use of medications at Rancho.
3. Discharge Medication Counseling - Pharmacy is involved in many aspects of counseling patients, both in the inpatient and outpatient setting. Due to the limited staff and hours of operation, the Pharmacy Department works with nurses involved with discharge counseling by assisting with the information material available; much of the information is made available through Micromedex, which is available on the Rancho's intranet and Drug Facts and Comparisons reference available on all units. Pharmacists are available to consult with patients if deemed necessary by the nurse, physician, patient, or any family member.
4. Out-Patient Consultation - Pharmacists provide medication consultation to all clinic patients receiving newly prescribed medication or any changes in their drug therapy. See Policy No. 2.10.0.

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