

**POLICY AND PROCEDURE MANUAL  
PHARMACY SERVICES**

SECTION: **DEPARTMENT OF PHARMACY**

SUBJECT: **DRUG SAMPLES**

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**POLICY**

No drug samples may be dispensed directly either to In-patients or Out-patients at Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center by Rancho practitioners, nurses or other personnel.

Upon Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee's approval, physicians may request drug samples from a drug company for a trial drug study. The Pharmacy Department will maintain all the drug sample supplies in the Pharmacy and dispense the sample drugs following the usual requisition and prescription policy and procedures.

**ALL DRUG SAMPLES ARE TO BE STORED IN THE PHARMACY ONLY.** Call the Pharmacy at Ext. 57235 to pick up any drug samples found in the units, clinics or office areas for proper storage or disposition.

Practitioners requesting drug samples for personal use should have samples sent to practitioner's residence.

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