

**POLICY AND PROCEDURE MANUAL  
PHARMACY SERVICES**

SECTION: **DEPARTMENT OF PHARMACY**

SUBJECT: **WEIGHT-BASED DOSING**

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POLICY

All medications that are dosed on weight will be calculated and verified by a pharmacist.

PROCEDURE

- 1 The patient's weight will be obtained for all orders of medications that are dosed on weight.
- 2 The patient's weight will be expressed in kilograms.
- 3 The pharmacist will calculate the appropriate dose of the weight-based medication using the patient's weight in kilograms.
- 4 The pharmacist will contact the practitioner if there is a discrepancy between the written dose and the pharmacist's calculated dose.
- 5 All dose discrepancies will be resolved with the practitioner prior to dispensing the weight-based medication.

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