



Department of Pharmacy POLICY AND PROCEDURE

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SUBJECT: Objectives of the IV program

POLICY:

The main objective of the infusion program is to provide patients at High Desert Regional Health Center with safe and efficacious parenteral therapy as prescribed by the physician.

Purpose:

To set standards to develop a safe and efficacious dispensing of medication that will be given via injection.

PROCEDURE:

1. The patient must receive accurately prescribed medication.
2. All medication administered must be free of microbial, pyrogen, chemical, and particulate contamination.
3. All injectable solution shall be free of physiochemical incompatibilities that may affect the intrinsic pharmacological activity of the added medication, solution, and other active ingredients in the final I.V. solution.
4. The dispensed medication must show significant stability as to their therapeutic effectiveness from the time of admixture until their administration.
5. Maximum patient safety must be ensured by minimizing the incidence of infusion reactions as a result of therapy.
6. Quality controls, and various procedures such as I.V. order processing, storage, I.V. solution compounding, admixture delivery and other aspects of administration and maintenance of I.V. therapy shall be strictly adhered to and streamlined.
7. Aseptic technique shall be utilized when compounding sterile injectable products to ensure maximum patient safety.

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