

## IREDELL HEALTH SYSTEM

<b>Drug Samples</b>	
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**POLICY:**

All prescription drug samples and any drug sample intended for inpatient use shall be brought to the pharmacy for identification. Drug samples will not be used except in the case of a non-formulary item not stocked by the pharmacy or which the pharmacy is not able to obtain. If the sample is a formulary medication stocked by the pharmacy, use of the sample medication is prohibited.

**PROCEDURE:**

In the event a drug sample needs to be utilized inpatient, refer to *Home Medications* policy for proper procedures in verifying, labeling and storage of the medication.

Drug samples shall be included in the process for responding to drug recalls.

INITIAL EFFECTIVE DATE: 10/2000

DATES REVISIONS EFFECTIVE: 09/2011, 02/2016, 04/2020, 08/2023

DATES REVIEWED (no changes):