

IREDELL HEALTH SYSTEM

Stop Order Policy for Acute Care Patients	
Approved by: Randi Raynor, PharmD, MBC, BCPS Dr. Joseph Mazzola, VPMA	Last Revised/Reviewed Date: 04/2023
P&T Committee	Date: 04/2023

POLICY

There shall be an automatic cancellation or temporary stoppage of orders on specified medications as established by the medical staff. The medical staff shall establish reasonable time limits for the specified drugs.

EXCEPTIONS TO THE AUTOMATIC STOP ORDER POLICY

The following are exceptions to the automatic stop order policy:

- Number of doses to be administered is ordered.
- Length of time the drug is to be administered is ordered.

APPLICABILITY OF AUTOMATIC STOP ORDERS

The Automatic Stop Order policy applies to the following drugs and drug classes:

<u>Routine scheduled medications</u>	<u>30 days</u>
Anti-infectives (Oral/Parenteral)	7 days
Schedule II medications (Oral/Parenteral)	5 days
Chronic use (scheduled) & Long-acting (chronic) schedule II medications	No stop days
Ketorolac (Oral/Parenteral)	5 days (max: 120 mg/day)
PRN medications	14 days

PROCEDURE

It is the responsibility of the provider(s) to re-evaluate and assign any new stop dates to order(s) as desired, through the course of the patient's treatment.

INITIAL EFFECTIVE DATE: 10/2007

DATES REVISIONS EFFECTIVE: 10/2010, 02/2012, 08/2015, 01/2017, 08/2017, 02/2018, 02/2019, 04/2019, 06/2019, 02/2021, 07/2023

DATES REVIEWED (no changes):