

## Discharge Prescription Verification Process

Summary: Pharmacists are responsible for verifying discharge prescription orders for a specific subset of orders/patients. The process is intended to be a quick review to ensure major prescription issues are identified and resolved *before* the patient is discharged. Failure to perform timely verification of the medication will result in delay of discharge so this process should be expedited.

**Discharge prescription orders for inpatients only (ED and same day surgery are excluded) go to the verification queue if *one* of the following criteria are met:**

1. Drug class: Anticoagulant, anti-infective, or opioid (individual medication)
2. Patient with a readmission risk score >30% (will see all prescribed discharge medications)

**Assess discharge prescription orders for the following:**

1. Drug, dose, frequency, quantity makes sense for indication
  - a. Ex: DOAC dose is appropriate per indication (i.e. DVT vs afib)
2. No clinically relevant therapeutic duplications, drug interactions
3. Drug allergies
4. Ensure the Rx is sent to the correct destination (print vs no print, etc.)
  - a. See instructions below

**If an error necessitating a change is identified:**

1. Call the med rec pharmacist if available, or
2. Call the patient's RN to inform of the issue if time constraints do not allow you to correct independently

### Prescription Destination

- At verification, just because the pharmacy name is listed to the right in the green Dispensing Information box does not mean this is where the prescription was sent.
  - You will need to look further to see the "class" located under the pharmacy name.
  - It will say "normal", "print", "OTC", or "No Print".
  - "Normal" means it was e-scribed to the indicated pharmacy.
  - "No print" means it went nowhere and if the patient is discharging home they won't be able to fill them.
    - "No print" is appropriate for facility transfers
    - Home meds that are simply "resumed" will come across as "No Print" even if they are going home.
  - "Print" means it printed, but only at the special prescription printers stationed at the nursing station where the patient is located. This is ok, because they should have a supply of medication at home to use.
    - SNF facilities need printed RX prescriptions for controlled substances, but not regular legend drugs.

Dispensing Information	
Owning pharmacy:	CVS/PHARMACY #7289 - SIGNAL MOUNTAIN, TN - 796 RIDGEWAY AVENUE
Dispense:	60 tablet
Refills:	0
Class:	Print