

4658.1310 DRUG REGIMEN REVIEW.

A. The drug regimen of each resident must be reviewed at least monthly by a pharmacist currently licensed by the Board of Pharmacy. This review must be done in accordance with Appendix N of the State Operations Manual, Surveyor Procedures for Pharmaceutical Service Requirements in Long-Term Care, published by the Department of Health and Human Services, Health Care Financing Administration, April 1992. This standard is incorporated by reference. It is available through the Minitex interlibrary loan system. It is not subject to frequent change.

B. The pharmacist must report any irregularities to the director of nursing services and the attending physician, and these reports must be acted upon by the time of the next physician visit, or sooner, if indicated by the pharmacist. For purposes of this part, "acted upon" means the acceptance or rejection of the report and the signing or initialing by the director of nursing services and the attending physician.

C. If the attending physician does not concur with the pharmacist's recommendation, or does not provide adequate justification, and the pharmacist believes the resident's quality of life is being adversely affected, the pharmacist must refer the matter to the medical director for review if the medical director is not the attending physician. If the medical director determines that the attending physician does not have adequate justification for the order and if the attending physician does not change the order, the matter must be referred for review to the quality assessment and assurance committee required by part 4658.0070. If the attending physician is the medical director, the consulting pharmacist must refer the matter directly to the quality assessment and assurance committee.

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