

**4665.4400 MEDICATION CONTAINERS.**

All prescription medications shall be kept in their original container bearing the original label with legible information stating the prescription number, name of drug, strength and quantity of drug, expiration dates of all time-dated drugs, directions for use, resident's name, physician's name, date of original issue or in case of a refill, the most recent date thereof, and name and address of the licensed pharmacy which issued the medications. It shall be the responsibility of the facility to secure the prescription number and name of the medication if these are not on the label.

Any drug container having detached, excessively soiled, or damaged labels shall be returned to the issuing pharmacy for relabeling.

The contents of any drug container having no label or with an illegible label shall be destroyed immediately.

Medications having a specific expiration date shall not be used after the date of expiration.

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