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Approved Date: _____

1. Team Mission

To provide focused leadership and expertise, and to engage nurses and physicians to effectively educate patients about the safe use of their medications and awareness of potential side effects.

2. Team Responsibilities

1. Organize/supervise all new RN Medication Education training and continuing preceptor-ship.
2. Focus Medication Rec at all transition points (admit, transfer, home).
3. Establish the process of Patient Rounding for Medication Education.
4. Unite with MD's on a patient-friendly approach to Medication Education.
5. Generate a process for timely Pharmacist visits to patients with complex medication regimens.
6. See that all RN's are empowered/indemnified to question prescriptions, dosages, as warranted.
7. Have at least one senior RN on each floor who is a medication expert trainer.
8. Make 'Nurse Assertiveness Skills' training available as may be appropriate and needed.
9. At minimum: all RN's to see this Webinar and/or Swanks e.learning video on ' "Communication About Medication", or some alternate educational resource.
10. **Important:** The Medication Education Team has authority to issue actionable recommendations as needed.

3. Team Membership.

This on-going team consists of:

- Your CNO
- CMO
- Chief Pharmacist
- Risk Manager
- An IT specialist (team's link to EMR)
- Any other person who brings a needed specialty to the party