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	Involuntary Medications		

POLICY:

Involuntary medications are administered to a resident when ordered by a physician and in an emergency situation. The facility’s Involuntary Medication Review Committee must authorize continued use of involuntary medications.

PROCEDURE:

1. Involuntary medications are administered to a resident only with a physician order.
2. A court order or guardian authorization must be obtained at the earliest possible time.
3. Involuntary medications must be reviewed and authorized by the Involuntary Medication Review Committee within five working days of initial administration.
 - A. Involuntary Medication Review Committee (IMRC)
 - 1) The Involuntary Medication Review Committee will consist of the Medical Director, attending Psychiatrist, Director of Nursing, Long Term Care Ombudsman, Superintendent, Social Service Supervisor and Pharmacist.
 2. The Director of Nursing will convene the IMRC after notification that an involuntary medication order was received from a physician.
 3. The committee will convene at the facility but members may participate by telephone conference call.
 4. Minutes will be taken and the attachment filled out and filed by the Director of Nursing for documentation purposes.
 5. A notation will be placed in the resident medical record concerning the convening of the committee and its recommendations.

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4. The resident &/or guardian/attorney/advocate, will be given notice of date, time and place of the review by the Administrative Assistant
5. The Physician who ordered the involuntary medications or the Medical Director must regularly review the need for the medication.