

IREDELL HEALTH SYSTEM

After-Hours Pharmacy Operations: Iredell Davis Behavioral Health	
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<i>The contents of this policy are applicable to Iredell Davis Behavioral Health only.</i>	

Purpose

To assure that all new medications ordered for patients when the pharmacy department is closed are provided to meet urgent or emergent needs within a defined “after-hours process.”

Policy

Iredell Davis Behavioral Health Pharmacy Standard Hours are as follows:

Monday – Friday 8:00 am – 4:30 pm

Holidays varies

Closed on weekends

Medical Staff are encouraged to only order medications after pharmacy hours that are considered necessary to meet immediate patient needs.

When the on-site pharmacist order review is not available and/or during Pharmacy after-hours, remote pharmacist review of medication orders shall occur. Refer to *Medication Ordering and Processing* policy for Remote Medication Order Processing.

Obtaining Medications when the pharmacy is closed

Once a medication order has been verified and approved by the remote pharmacist, the medication may be obtained from an Automated Dispensing Cabinet (ADC), or other approved medication storage area. In the event the medication(s) ordered is not available in an ADC or other approved medication storage area, it may require a medication to be couriered to Iredell Davis Campus from Iredell Memorial Hospital or the pharmacist on-call may be required to be physically present at Iredell Davis to dispense the needed medication(s).

Commented [LR1]: Are there med rooms or is it just Omnicell cabinets?

Commented [RR2R1]: According to BOP everything needs to be in a cabinet. Currently they have patient specific carts but we are going to work towards getting rid of those... I would prefer if the policy aligns with what the BOP says we should be doing.

When medications are obtained after-hours, the Pharmacy After-Hours Medication Log must be completed for each medication dispensed. This log shall be reviewed on an annual basis for opportunities of future stocking in ADCs.

Refer to *Medication Security* policy for specifics related to the security of medication storage.

INITIAL EFFECTIVE DATE: 02/2025

DATES REVISIONS EFFECTIVE:

DATES REVIEWED (no changes):