

Medication Administration Competency Evaluation

Skill	Performed Correctly	N/A
Hand hygiene was performed prior to handling medication(s) and after administering medication(s) if resident contact was necessary.		
Medications administered with a physician's order.		
Medications administered as ordered: Time___ Route___ Dose___		
Medications administered before the expiration date on the label.		
Medication held and physician notified in the presence of an adverse effect, such as signs of bleeding or abnormal lab results with anticoagulants.		
Checked pulse and/or blood pressure prior to administering medications when indicated/ordered.		
Staff observed resident taking medications, did not leave at bedside without corresponding order.		
Resident was properly positioned to receive medications (e.g., head of the bed is elevated at an angle of 30-45°).		
Resident was properly informed of the medications being administered.		
Medication cart was locked if left unattended in resident care area.		
If a controlled medication was administered, make sure the count in the cart matches the count in the facility's reconciled records.		
Insulin suspensions – “mix” or “roll” the suspension without creating air bubbles. Shake a drug product that is labeled “shake well,” such as Dilantin Elixir.		
The administration of medications with adequate fluid as manufacturer specifies, such as bulk laxatives, non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs, and potassium supplements.		
Staff did not crush tablets or capsules that manufacturer states “do not crush,” such as enteric coated or time-released medications.		

Learner Signature: _____

Date: _____

Observer Signature: _____

Date: _____