(YOUR PROGRAM NAME) POLICY AND PROCEDURES

MEDICATIONS

POLICY

Residents may take certain medications under the supervision of a qualified physician.

BASIS

A percentage of the residents who come to (Your Program Name) are on some type of medication either for a physical or psychiatric concern.

PROCEDURE

- A. Residents may not take any mood-altering medications (e.g. opiate-based pain medications, benzodiazepines, barbituates, sedatives-hypnotics, sleeping pills, diet pills)
- B. Residents must inform staff of any prescriptions/medications they have when they are admitted to (Your Program Name) and any prescriptions/medications they receive while a resident at (Your Program Name). Failure to do so will result in disciplinary action and possible discharge.
- C. Residents may only take over the counter medications that are approved by (Your Program Name). All medications (Tylenol, Antihistamine, Benadryl, etc.) must be discussed and approved by (Your Program Name) staff
- D. Residents who are on medication must be able to self-administer their own medication without the aid of a health-care professional. If a resident is unable to do so, then they will be referred to a facility that can aid them.
- E. Residents who are on medication are responsible for the safe-keeping and proper dosage of their medication. Any deviation from the proper dosage will be investigated by the Clinical Director. Deliberate alteration of the dosage in an attempt to alter mood will result in disciplinary action and possible discharge. Deliberate alteration of the dosage in an attempt to commit suicide will result in a therapeutic discharge to the Crisis Center.