



**COHESIVE HEALTHCARE MANAGEMENT & CONSULTING**

**Mangum Regional Medical Center**

TITLE		POLICY	
<b>Use of Medication</b>		<b>814</b>	
MANUAL	EFFECTIVE DATE	REVIEW DATE	
<b>Rehabilitation</b>			
DEPARTMENT	REFERENCE		
<b>Rehabilitation Services</b>			

**SCOPE:** All professional rehabilitation staff who will be utilizing medication for patient care at Mangum Regional Medical Center.

**PURPOSE:** To outline the procedure for receiving and dispensing topical medications utilized in rehabilitation services.

**POLICY:** Therapists are authorized to administer medications restricted to topical medications associated with specific treatments.  
Therapist assistants may administer topical medication, when authorized by facility policy and permissible per state law.  
Medications will be stored under proper conditions of sanitation, light, temperature, moisture, ventilation, segregation, and security, consistent with facility pharmacy policy.

**PROCEDURE:**

1. All prescription topical medications will be placed in a secure drawer or cabinet.
2. All topical medications requiring refrigeration will be placed in the designated patient medication refrigerator.
3. Prior to administration of topical medication, the therapist will verify necessary information:
  - a. patient name
  - b. medication name
  - c. physician order
  - d. medication route
  - e. medication dosage
  - f. frequency of medication
4. Following application of medication to the patient, the therapist will document medication administration in the patient’s medical record.

**REVISIONS/UPDATES**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Brief Description of Revision/Change</b>