

 <p>BAY OF PLENTY DISTRICT HEALTH BOARD HAUORA A TOI</p>	<p>ALERTS – MEDICAL (ALLERGIC RESPONSES, ADVERSE REACTIONS AND HIGH RISK ISSUES)</p>	<p>Policy 6.1.5 Protocol 1</p>
<p>ALERTS PROTOCOL</p>		

STANDARD

All Bay of Plenty District Health Board (BOPDHB) alerts will be placed on the patient's health record (electronic and hard copy) when a potential risk is identified that may cause harm to either staff, the patient or others.

OBJECTIVE

To ensure that alerts, allergies and high risk issues are maintained in the patient's health record (electronic and hard copy) according to national standards.

PROCEDURE

Medical Alerts must be prominently displayed in the patient's health record for issues such as:

1. Allergic Responses, Adverse Reactions

- 1.1 It is the responsibility of the healthcare team completing the patient assessment to record the allergy status on the patient medication sheet.
- 1.2 If there are no allergies this will be noted on the patient information and medication sheet.
- 1.3 Allergy status must be clearly stated on the discharge summary.
- 1.4 Adverse reactions to medicines, vaccines and devices should be recorded on form H1574 and notified to CARM (Centre for Adverse Reactions Monitoring), University of Otago Medical School.

2. Other High Risk Issues

- 2.1 For every inpatient multi-drug resistant organism (MDRO) status is indicated by placement of a MDRO sticker on the front of the patient's health record in addition to entering the Alert into the patient's electronic health record. This includes but is not limited to MRSA, ESBL or VRE.
- 2.2 Other patient with same name
- 2.3 Patients designated with a Falls Risk of Medium to High - refer to BOPDHB policy 6.3.5 Falls - Risk Reduction and Management of Inpatient Falls

ASSOCIATED DOCUMENTS

- Bay of Plenty District Health Board policy 6.1.5 Alerts
- Bay of Plenty District Health Board policy 6.1.5 protocol 0 Alerts – Standards
- Bay of Plenty District Health Board policy 6.1.5 protocol 2 Alerts - Social
- Bay of Plenty District Health Board policy 6.1.5 protocol 3 Alerts – ED Management Plans
- Bay of Plenty District Health Board policy 2.5.2 Health Records Management
- Bay of Plenty District Health Board policy 2.5.1 Health Information Privacy
- Bay of Plenty District Health Board policy 1.2.6 Refusal of Blood Products
- Bay of Plenty District Health Board policy 6.3.5 Falls - Risk Reduction and Management of Inpatient Falls
- Bay of Plenty District Health Board policy 6.3.7 Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR)
- Bay of Plenty District Health Board policy 6.1.4 Advanced Directives
- Bay of Plenty District Health Board Form FM.A11.1 Alert - Medical

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