

SENIOR CARE CONSULTANT GROUP, LLC

MEDICATION STORAGE INFORMATION

Best Practice Guidelines

- Medication carts and storage rooms **must be locked at all times.**
- Refrigerator: A refrigerator temperature log must be posted on outside of refrigerator and logged daily; temperature must be 36 to 46 degrees.
- Date opened: All flushes, multi-dose vials, irrigation solution and IV fluids must be marked with date opened or first used.
- Insulin: All vials or pens should be refrigerated until opened for use. Stability of in use opened Insulin products or Insulin products stored at room temperature vary greatly by manufacturer, size, and type. Please refer to manufacturer guidelines and or dispensing label instructions for expiration timeframes
- Inhalers: Store in plastic bag or box.
- Scoops for multi-dose nutritional products; store in plastic bag and rubber band to canister
- Controlled Substances: Must be double locked, even if refrigerated.
- Pharmacy Labels: All prescription medications must have a pharmacy label attached. If the item is very small, the label may be affixed to a plastic bag or vial.
- Medication carts should be checked on a monthly basis, or more often, to be sure all medications are in date and have required dating.
- Medications should be stored separated by route of administration.
- Do not store treatment items, supplies, ointments etc in medication cart.
- All listed expiration times are void if the manufacturer's expiration date stamped on the actual product is sooner.

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<u>PRODUCT</u>	<u>STORAGE</u>	<u>EXPIRATION DATE</u>
Advair Inhaler	Room Temp. (Unopened) Room Temp. (Opened)	Manf. Exp. on Inhaler 30 Days from date opened and in use
Albuterol Inhalation	Room Temp. (Opened) MUST REMAIN IN FOIL TO PROTECT FROM LIGHT	Manf. Exp. On Package
Combivent Respimat Inhaler	Room Temp. (Unopened) Room Temp. (Opened)	Manf. Exp. on Inhaler 90 Days from date opened and in use
Digoxin Oral Solution	Room Temp. (Opened)	90 days
Duoneb Inhalation	Room Temp. (Unopened) Room Temp. (Opened)) MUST REMAIN IN FOIL TO PROTECT FROM LIGHT	Manf. Exp. On Package Manf. Exp On Package.
Epogen Injection	Refrigerator Room Temp.	Manf. Exp. On Vial 14 Days
External Medications	Room Temp. **Unless product has specific standards	1 Year after opening if dated with date opened OR Manf. Exp. whichever is sooner
Eye Drops	Room Temp. (Unopened) Room Temp. (Opened)	Manf. Exp. on Package Refer to facility P&P
Glucometer controls	Room Temp. (Opened and Unopened)	Unopened is Manf. exp. date on packet Opened is 90 Days
Foradil Aerolizer Inhalation	Room Temp.	“Use By” date on package
Furosemide Oral Solution	Room Temp. (Opened)	90 Days
House Stock OTC	Room Temp. (Open or Unopened)	Manf. Exp. on Package
Insulin	Refrigerator (Unopened) Refrigerator (Opened) Room Temp. (Opened or unopened)	Manf. Date of Vial Refer to MFG or Pharmacy Label Refer to MFG or Pharmacy Label
Insulin Test Strips	Room Temp.	See Specific Manf. Exp. After Open
Ipratropium Inhalation	Room Temp. (Opened) MUST REMAIN IN FOIL TO PROTECT FROM LIGHT	Manf. Exp. On Package
Magnesium Citrate Solution	Room Temp. (Opened)	24 Hours
Miacalcin Nasal Spray Calcitonin Nasal Spray	Refrigerator (Unopened) Room Temp (Opened **STORE UPRIGHT**	Manf. Exp. On Vial 30 Days

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Miacalcin Injectable	Refrigerated (Opened) Room Temp. (Opened or Unopened)	60 Days 14 Days
Morphine Oral Solution	Room Temp. (Opened)	90 Days
Mucomyst Inhalation	Room Temp. (Unopened) Refrigerate (Opened)	Manf. Exp. On Package 96 Hours
Multi-dose Vials	Opened vials—dated when open	30 days after open OR Manf. Exp. whichever is sooner
Nitrostat SL Tabs	Room Temp (Opened or Unopened) **Keep in Original Container**	Manf. Exp. On Vial
Oxydose Oral Solution	Room Temp. (Opened)	90 Days
Oxyfast Oral Solution	Room Temp. (Opened)	90 Days
PPD (Tubersol) PPD (Tubersol) PPD prefilled syringe from pharmacy	Refrigerate (Unopened) Refrigerate (Opened)	Manf. Exp. On Vial 30 Days 30 Days
Pulmicort Respules Inhalation	Room Temp. (Unopened) Room Temp. (Opened-left in foil)	Manf. Exp. On Package 14 Days
Rhinocort Nasal Spray	Room Temp. (Opened)	180 Days after open OR Manf. Exp. Whichever is sooner
Serevent Diskus Inhaler	Room Temp. (Unopened) Room Temp. (Opened—removed from foil)	Manf. Exp. On Inhaler 42 Days
Sterile Saline for Irrigation	Room Temp. (sealed until used)	24 Hours after Seal Broken
Sterile Water for Irrigation	Room Temp. (sealed until used)	24 Hours after Seal Broken
Symbicort Inhaler	Room Temp. (Unopened) Room Temp. (Opened)	Manf. Exp. on Inhaler 90 Days from date opened and in use
Tobramycin Nebulizer Solution, Pediatric	Refrigerate 36-46° F Room Temp (Opened or Unopened)	Manf. Exp. on Vial 28 Days
Xalatan Ophthalmic Drops	Refrigerate (Unopened) Room Temp. (Opened)	Manf. Exp. On Package 42 Days
Xopenex Inhalation	Room Temp. (Unopened) Room Temp. (Opened-left in foil) Room Temp. (Opened-out of foil)	Manf. Exp. On Package 14 Days in Foil 7 Days out of Foil