

FOOTHILLS GATEWAY, INC.

Medication Discontinuation

POLICY:

It is the policy of Foothills Gateway, Inc. that medication administered to a person served shall not be discontinued by the Department of Community Services and Supports nurse except when ordered by a physician, physician's assistant, nurse practitioner, podiatrist or dentist.

PROCEDURE:

When a medication that is being administered to an individual at Foothills Gateway, Inc. is to be discontinued, the following procedure will be adhered to:

- If the individual resides with a parent/guardian or in a residential program, the parent/guardian or staff of the residential program will inform the Day Program Staff of the discontinued order.
- Discontinued medications will be returned to the parent or guardian (if the individual is living at home) or residential provider, or will be destroyed by the Clinical Nurse Manager or Health Services Assistant and recorded.
- Discontinued general medications, psychotropic medications and controlled medications of individuals in the FGI residential program will be disposed of per the Medication Administration Procedure.

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