THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS M.D. ANDERSON CANCER CENTER

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TO: Pharmacy & Therapeutics Committee

FROM: Medication Process Task Force

SUBJECT: Safety Standards for Medication Use - Related Procedures

The following *policies* have been *approved* by the Pharmacy & Therapeutics Committee (12/02/03) and the Executive Committee of the Medical Staff (1/27/04).

- Indication for Use of Medications Policy
- Medication Brought into the Hospital by the Patient Policy
- Self-Administration of Medication by Patients Policy
- Patient Information Available for Medication Management Policy
- Medication Range Orders Policy
- Medication Titrated Orders Policy
- Medication Taper Orders Policy

To *implement* these policies, associated multi-disciplinary *procedures have been developed* and are included for review and approval.

In developing the associated procedures there were *recommendations to amend* the policies statements of *two of the policies* listed. Please see the attached policies for the recommended modifications:

- •Indication of Use of Medications Policy
- Medication Brought into the Hospital by the Patient Policy