



## Let's Do Well Together

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### P&T Committee Update

### LWRMC Insulin Conversion

The current formulary product line for insulin is Novo Nordisk products (Novolin and Novolog).

- LWRMC will soon discontinue using Novolin and Novolog products. They will be replaced with Humulin and Humalog (Lilly products).
- Conversion between the Novo Nordisk and Lilly insulins is 1:1.

Insulin Conversion	
Previous Brand Insulin	New Brand Insulin
Novolin R 100 units/mL	<b>Humulin R 100 units/mL</b>
Novolin N 100 units/mL	<b>Humulin N 100 units/mL</b>
Novolin 70/30 units/mL	<b>Humulin 70/30 units/mL</b>
Novolog 100 units/mL	<b>Humalog 100 units/mL</b>

### Lorazepam injection shortage:

All lorazepam **injection** products are currently unavailable. There is no advertised release date. Oral lorazepam and other oral benzodiazepine products are NOT affected by this shortage.

LWRMC has an extremely limited supply of the vials available. Alternative agents have been obtained for the multiple indications of lorazepam injection. Judicious use is requested in conserving lorazepam injection for those who cannot tolerate oral lorazepam or other injectable alternatives, such as midazolam and diazepam.

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Lorazepam 2 mg injection is equivalent to approximately 4-5 mg of Midazolam injection.

Lorazepam oral is 93% bioavailable and oral tablets may be administered sublingual with similar onset of action as the IV route.

Please use available alternatives (listed below) for patients when clinically appropriate:

- Consider Midazolam injection for seizures: Midazolam 0.1-0.2 mg/kg IV (max 10 mg), may be repeated every 3-5 minutes up to 2 mg/kg.
- ORAL lorazepam – 0.5-2 mg PO PRN CIWA-Ar/Agitation/Anxiety
- Oral chlordiazepoxide taper and/or PRN for CIWA-Ar
- Oral quetiapine 12.5-25 mg PO PRN Agitation
- Haloperidol 5-10 mg IM PRN Agitation
- Ziprasidone 5-10 mg IM PRN Agitation
- Diazepam 10mg IV PRN CIWA-Ar
  - CIWA-Ar 8-15 = 10 mg q4H
  - CIWA-Ar 16-20 = 10 mg q2H
  - CIWA-Ar greater or equal to 21 = 10 mg q1H

If CIWA-AR is greater than or equal to 21 and receiving 60 mg of IV diazepam in less than 24 hours, contact provider to consider addition of other agents.

## **Warfarin Therapy**

Starting April 1, 2024 Pharmacy will be providing a consult service for Warfarin. Providers can place a consult request in Cerner to manage Warfarin therapy (dosing and monitoring levels).

Note that indication and goal INR are required at the time the consult is placed.

## Save the Dates!

MCMS Doctors Day Networking	Thursday, March 21, 6-7:30pm Coastal Orthopedics, 8000 SR 64
LWRMC Doctors Day	<b>Thursday, March 28 7-9am Breakfast, 11-1:30pm Lunch</b>
2024 Medicine Dept Meetings	Thursday April 18, August 22, October 17, 5:30pm Admin Conf Room
2024 Surgery Dept Meetings	Thursday April 10, July 10, Oct 09, 4pm Admin Conf Room

## Post Graduate Students Rounding Policy

Please note that starting March 1<sup>st</sup>, if you have Graduate Students that will be rounding with you at Lakewood Ranch Medical Center, they must first be cleared through Jacqueline Weller in Administration **before** arriving on campus. Please send your request to [jacqueline.weller@lwrmc.com](mailto:jacqueline.weller@lwrmc.com).

### Required Items:

- Completed Forms (available thru Jaquie Weller) Post Graduate Student Site Request, & Computer Access Security Agreement.
- Current Affiliation Agreement with school that lists the specific student type. If you do not have a current agreement, you will be instructed to contact our LWRMC Contract Specialist, Sarah Damman to start the new contract process. Please note that the student experience cannot start until the affiliation agreement is completed and signed.
- Latest Certificate of Insurance (malpractice insurance, from school)
- Current School Background Check
- Signed UHS Confidentiality and Computer Use Agreement

Once the above items have been completed and sent, the orientation link will be sent to the student via email. This orientation must be completed **before** the student begins their student experience at the hospital. If the student will be in surgery, there is an additional OR orientation that must be completed.

Please make sure you allocate extra time for the above items to be completed if you know a student will be starting with you in the upcoming weeks. It is never too early to start the above process, so your student is not delayed in the training experience with you. We are unable to complete all required items on the first rounding day due to the required orientation that keeps us in compliance with our accrediting agencies. You will receive email communication when the student is approved to begin their experience at the hospital.

We want your student to have a positive experience at Lakewood Ranch Medical Center and appreciate in advance your full cooperation with the above items. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out.

## Medical Staff Policy Updates

### **NEW**

- Discrimination and Harassment Prevention Policy
- Pet Therapy Program
- Pharmacy to Dose Warfarin Consult

### **REVISED**

- Adverse Drug Events, Reactions, and Medication Errors
- CJD Infection Control Guidelines
- Dobutamine Stress Echocardiogram
- High Risk Delivery
- Regadenoson (Lexiscan) Nuclear Stress Test
- Renal Dose Adjustment

### **New at LWRMC**

Patients will no longer need to travel outside the community for Transcarotid artery revascularization. **TCAR** is a minimally invasive surgery for treating carotid artery disease and preventing future strokes. TCAR offers an alternative to carotid endarterectomy, which can be risky to some patients because of age, anatomy or other medical conditions.

New **Surgical Intervention for Sacral Insufficiency Fractures**— 70% of patients with pubic rami fractures also have a sacral fracture, which can be diagnosed by a CT or MRI. This minimally invasive procedure offers an alternative to traditional treatment of bed rest, which often results in increased comorbidities including weakness, DVT's and higher mortality rate after one year.

Weight Loss Options—Lakewood Ranch Surgeon , Sam Yelverton MD, will be offering Robotic Gastric Bypass and Robotic Sleeve Gastrectomy .