

WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §16-50-10

§16-50-10. Limitations on medication administration or performance of health maintenance tasks.

The following limitations apply to the administration of medication or performance of health maintenance tasks by facility staff members:

- (a) Injections or any parenteral medications may not be administered, except that prefilled insulin or insulin pens may be administered;
- (b) Irrigations or debriding agents used in the treatment of a skin condition or minor abrasions may not be administered;
- (c) No verbal medication orders may be accepted, no new medication orders shall be transcribed and no drug dosages may be converted and calculated;
- (d) No medications ordered by the health care professional to be given "as needed" may be administered unless the order is written with specific parameters which preclude independent judgment; and,
- (e) Health maintenance tasks for the performance of tracheostomy care and ventilator care is not permitted in an intermediate care facility for individuals with an intellectual disability, assisted living, behavioral health group home, private residence where the resident is not residing with family and/or natural supports.