
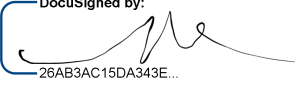


BHS Policies and Procedures	
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Policy or Procedure Title: Administration of Long-Acting Injectable Antipsychotics	
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New Policy.

Equity Statement: The San Francisco Department of Public Health, Behavioral Health Services (BHS) is committed to leading with race and prioritizing Intersectionality, including sex, gender identity, sexual orientation, age, class, nationality, language, and ability. BHS strives to move forward on the continuum of becoming an anti-racist institution through dismantling racism, building solidarity among racial groups, and working towards becoming a Trauma-Informed/Trauma Healing Organization in partnership with staff, clients, communities, and our contractors. We are committed to ensuring that every policy or procedure, developed and implemented, leads with an equity and anti-racist lens. Our policies will provide the highest quality of care for our diverse clients. We are dedicated to ensuring that our providers are equipped to provide services that are responsive to our clients' needs and lived experiences.

Purpose: The purpose of this policy is to ensure that long-acting injectable (LAI) antipsychotics are being appropriately administered within their ordered time frame. It is also meant to provide instruction on how to manage late administrations.

Scope: This policy applies to BHS nurses working in BHS clinics, including contract agencies. Nursing staff includes licensed vocational nurses (LVN), registered nurses (RN), and licensed psychiatric technicians (LPT).

Policy:

If a client presents outside of ordered dosing frequency for their long-acting injectable antipsychotic, nurses should refer to Appendix 2: *Missed LAI Dose Management* in the BHS Safer Prescribing of Antipsychotics Guideline for how to proceed.

References:

- [Safer Prescribing of Antipsychotic Medications Guideline \(2024\)](#)

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