STANDING ORDERS: DIPHTHERIA, TETANUS VACCINE (Td)

DIVISIONS:
General Internal Medicine

General Internal Medicine Extenders, Nursing Staff, and Care Assistants are authorized through this standing order to administer Diptheria and Tetanus (Td) to patient(s).

Td vaccine is recommended for adults in the following situations:
1. Last Td shot more than 10 years ago
2. Unknown immunization status
3. Wound and Td more than 5 years ago

Contraindications:
1. History of serious allergic reaction (i.e. anaphylaxis) to vaccine components
2. History of encephalopathy (i.e. prolonged seizures) with no identifiable cause within 7 days following administration of a pertussis vaccine
3. Moderate to severe acute illness

Signature __________________________
Internal Medicine Clinic Director

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