



## STANDING ORDER: PRESCRIPTION MEDICATION REFILLS

### **DIVISIONS:**

General Internal Medicine

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This standing order is to allow General Internal Medicine Extenders to authorize refills for any maintenance medication for up to a 100-day supply and prn refills (using clinical judgement).

Controlled substances may be refilled, using clinical judgment, if a clear provider-patient relationship exists and the medication has been provided for greater than a six-month period. Prescription renewals should be limited to a maximum of a 34-day supply and 2 refills. Prescription renewals should only be approved if the patient has a follow-up visit scheduled with their primary care provider. If these refills are for chronic pain medications and the patient's primary care provider is a resident, then the patient will be referred to the Chronic Pain Program.

This standing order allows the General Internal Medicine Extenders to renew prescriptions as a verbal order.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
Internal Medicine Clinic Director

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