

NORTHCARE NETWORK

POLICY TITLE: Psychotropic Medication Prescribing Policy	CATEGORY: Clinical Practices	
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APPLIES TO

Network Provider Physicians, Physician Assistants, Nurse Practitioners.

POLICY

Psychotropic medications shall be prescribed only by a prescribing licensed health care professional within their scope of practice.

PURPOSE

As applicable, each Network Provider will establish procedures for the safe usage of psychotropic medications. Such procedures will be consistent with federal and state guidelines, licensure, regulatory bodies and professional standards of practice.

DEFINITIONS

The following medication categories shall be considered psychotropic medications:

- Anti-anxiety agents
- Anti-cholinergic agents used in the treatment of movement disorders
- Anti-depressants
- Anti-psychotic agents
- Cognitive enhancers (to help prevent worsening of memory)
- Mood stabilizing agents
- Medications to treat ADHD
- Medications to treat Substance Use Disorders
- Sedatives/Hypnotic agents
- Other medications that affect brain activities associated with mental processes and behavior

REFERENCES

- NorthCare Network Psychotropic Medication Education and Consent Policy
- NorthCare Network Psychiatric Services and Referral Policy
- Michigan Mental Health Code, Chapter 7
- Administrative Rules 330.2813, 330.7158, 330.7029, 330.7003

HISTORY

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PROCEDURES

NorthCare Network requires each Network provider to have documented procedures to address prescribing psychotropic medications.