

Physician MEMO

To | All Medical Staff

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Re | Implementation of Electronic Medication Reconciliation in the Greater Winston Market

On **November 16, 2011**, we will have a house wide Go-Live at FMC with our new electronic medication reconciliation. All remaining facilities within the Winston Market, MPH, Hawthorne Surgical Center, Forsyth Orthopaedic Surgical Center, TMC, and KMC, will go-live on November 29, 2011.

To facilitate this transition from paper to electronic documentation, all RN's, LPNs and Pharmacy staff will be expected to participate in intensive training. From a physician perspective you will not see a lot of changes. The forms will look a little different because they will now have "Home medications" on them. You will continue to follow the same process for reconciliation by indicating on the order sheet which medications you wish to "stop", "change" or "continue". The nursing or pharmacy staff will then enter this information electronically.

Moving to the electronic medication reconciliation process supports our efforts to uphold patient safety and **First Do No Harm**. It will provide one medication list within our acute care services and reduce our risk of omissions and mistakes as it relates to the patients' medications on admission, transition of care, and at discharge.

Important Dates

- November 16th Go-live at FMC
- November 29th Go-live at MPH, Hawthorne Surgical Center, FOSC, TMC, & KMC