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**NURSE’S USER MANUAL**

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#  Revision History

Each time this manual is updated, the Title Page lists the new revised date and this page describes the changes. If the Revised Pages column lists “All,” replace the existing manual with the reissued manual. If the Revised Pages column lists individual entries (e.g., 25, 32), either update the existing manual with the Change Pages Document or print the entire new manual.

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| 02/2009 | 125 | PSJ\*5\*196 | Update to IV DurationREDACTED |
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**INPATIENT USER** File #53.45. This file is used to tailor various aspects

**PARAMETERS file** of the Inpatient Medications package with regards to specific users. This file also contains fields that are used as temporary storage of data during order entry/edit.

**INPATIENT WARD** File #59.6. This file is used to tailor various aspects

**PARAMETERS file** of the Inpatient Medications package with regards to specific wards.

**Intermittent Syringe** A syringe type of IV that is administered periodically to

the patient according to an administration schedule.

**Internal Order Number** The number on the top left corner of the label of an IV

bag in brackets ([ ]). This number can be used to speed up the entry of returns and destroyed IV bags.

**IV ADDITIVES file** File #52.6. This file contains drugs that are used as additives in the IV room. Data entered includes drug generic name, print name, drug information, synonym(s), dispensing units, cost per unit, days for IV order, usual IV schedule, administration times, electrolytes, and quick code information.

**IV CATEGORY file** File #50.2. This file allows the user to create categories of drugs in order to run “tailor-made” IV cost reports for specific user-defined categories of drugs. The user can group drugs into categories.

**IV Duration** The duration of an order may be entered in CPRS at the IV DURATION OR TOTAL VOLUME field in the IV

Fluids order dialog. The duration may be specified in terms of volume (liters or milliliters), or time (hours or days). Inpatient Medications uses this value to calculate a default stop date/time for the order at the time the order is finished.

**IV Label Action** A prompt, requesting action on an IV label, in the form of “Action ( )”, where the valid codes are shown in the parentheses. The following codes are valid:

P – Print a specified number of labels now. B – Bypass any more actions.

S – Suspend a specified number of labels for the IV room to print on demand.

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**IV Room Name** The name identifying an IV distribution area.

**IV SOLUTIONS file** File #52.7. This file contains drugs that are used as primary solutions in the IV room. The solution must already exist in the DRUG file (#50) to be selected. Data in this file includes: drug generic name, print name, status, drug information, synonym(s), volume, and electrolytes.

**IV STATS file** File #50.8. This file contains information concerning the IV workload of the pharmacy. This file is updated each time the *COmpile IV Statistics* option is run and the data stored is used as the basis for the AMIS (IV) report.

**Label Device** The device, identified by the user, on which computer- generated labels will be printed.

**Local Possible Dosages** Free text dosages that are associated with drugs that do

not meet all of the criteria for Possible Dosages.

**LVP** Large Volume Parenteral — Admixture. A solution intended for continuous parenteral infusion, administered as a vehicle for additive(s) or for the pharmacological effect of the solution itself. It is comprised of any number of additives, including zero, in one solution. An LVP runs continuously, with another bag hung when one bottle or bag is empty.

**Manufacturing Times** The time(s) that designate(s) the general time when the

manufacturing list will be run and IV orders prepared. This field in the *SIte Parameters (IV)* option (IV ROOM file (#59.5)) is for documentation only and does not affect IV processing.

**MEDICATION ADMINISTERING** File #57.7. This file contains wards, the teams used in

**TEAM file** the administration of medication to that ward, and the rooms/beds assigned to that team.

**MEDICATION INSTRUCTION file** File #51. This file is used by Unit Dose and Outpatient

Pharmacy. It contains the medication instruction name, expansion, and intended use.

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