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TO: Residential Care Facilities for the Elderly (RCFEs)

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SUBJECT: PIN 16-01-ASC: MEDICATIONS GUIDE

Provider Information Notice (PIN)

Summary

This PIN releases an updated Medications Guide. The guide is an aid to licensees of RCFEs in the administration and storage of residents' medications.

The California Department of Social Services, Community Care Licensing Division is pleased to release an updated Medication guide to RCFEs. Medication management represents an area of great responsibility. If not managed per physician orders and in compliance with statutory and regulatory requirements, medications intended to assist with a resident's health maintenance may place an individual's health and safety at risk.

The purpose of the Medication Guide is to help providers maintain compliance with regulatory requirements by aiding their understanding of the regulations. The completion of the Medication Guide was a result of collaboration between CCL staff and external stakeholders.

The guide may be obtained by accessing the following link:

[Medications Guide](#)

If you have any questions, please contact Susan Hutchinson, Senior Care Policy at (916) 654-2462.