Practice Alert



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Informed Consent for Psychotropic Medication Flow Chart

The purpose of this Practice Alert is to inform Children's Division and contracted staff members that the Informed Consent Flow Chart has been revised and is located on the <u>Health Information Specialist Unit</u> website.

Informed consent is the agreement to any medical or behavioral health treatment (such as a medical service or procedure) given after the child/youth, parent, and/or legal custodian has had the opportunity to receive sufficient information about its risks and benefits. Informed consent may only be given after receiving all necessary information and must be based upon what is in the best interests of the child.

When a recommendation for medication(s) is received, staff should review this flowchart as a guide for conducting an informed consent assessment.

Please review <u>Section 4, Chapter 4 (Working with Children)</u>, <u>Subsection 3 – Medical and Behavioral Health</u> Planning in the Child Welfare Manual for any specific information on informed consent.

If there are any questions regarding the informed consent process, please reach out to your assigned <u>Health Information Specialist</u>.

Please discontinue the use of any previous versions.

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