TITLE: IV to PO Interchange By A Pharmacist

Purpose: To establish a procedure for the changing of medications from the intravenous form to the oral form by the pharmacist.

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Policy:

The pharmacist will review medications daily which are identified by Theradoc via the IV to PO switch alert.

1. When the following criteria are met, the pharmacist will contact the physician/NP to review if an IV to PO switch is appropriate:

   A. The patient is currently receiving an IV medication with a PO equivalent.

   B. The patient has adequate gastrointestinal function to allow for the accurate pharmacotherapy of the drug.

   C. The medication is one of the following:

      ◆ Azithromycin
      ◆ Doxycycline
      ◆ Fluconazole
      ◆ Fluoroquinolones
      ◆ H 2 Antagonists
      ◆ Linezolid
      ◆ Metoclopramide
      ◆ Metronidazole
      ◆ MVI
      ◆ Proton pump inhibitors
      ◆ Voriconazole

2. If the IV to PO switch is deemed appropriate by the physician/NP, the pharmacist will change the medication to the oral form in Evident and enter an intervention.