IUH SYSTEM PROCESS UPDATE

Patient Preference: PRN Pain Medication

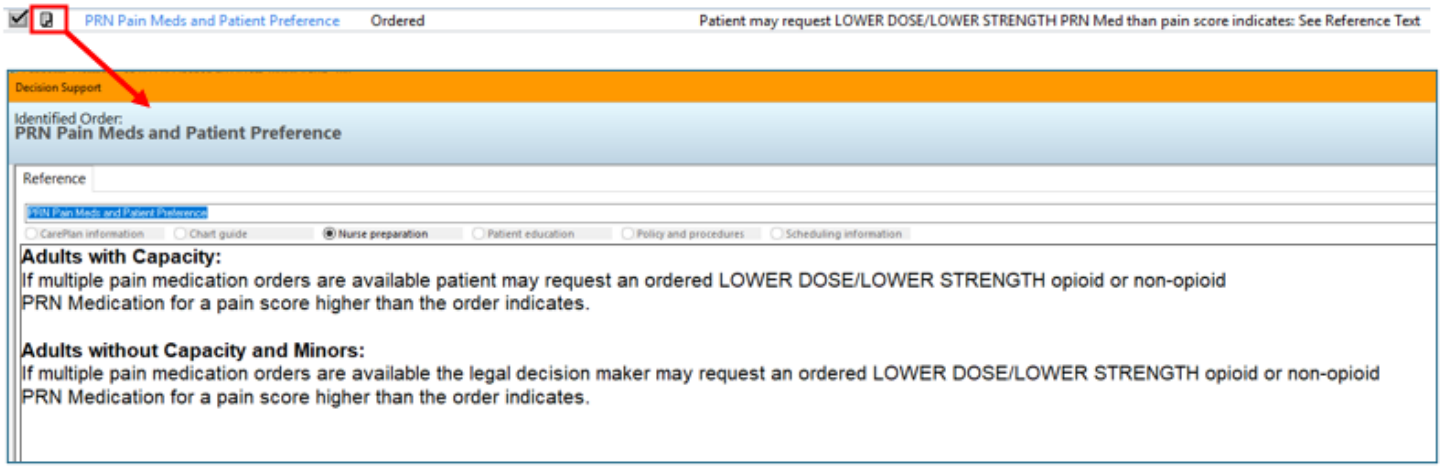
Audience: Ordering Providers & Pharmacists **Effective Date: April 28, 2025**

To meet Joint Commission requirements for Patient Preference, a new 'PRN Pain Meds and Patient Preference' order will be automatically added to a patient's chart when a PRN Pain Medication is ordered.

- This order ensures that Patient Preference can be honored for a lower dose/lower strength pain medication than is indicted by the Pain Score. Nurses may not give a higher dose/higher strength per Patient Preference.

Reference Text within the Order provides guidance consistent with the IU Health System Patient Consent for Clinical Services policy.

- Adults **with capacity** of making own decisions may request a lower dose/lower strength.
- If the adult does not have capacity or if the patient is a minor, the **legal decision maker** may make this request.
- The order may be discontinued like any other order and remains available in the order catalog should it be absent from the chart but still clinically appropriate for the patient.



NOTE: Patient Preference documentation will appear on the patient MAR.

Medications	04/24/2025 12:06 EDT
PRN	
PRN **hydroCODONE-acetaminophen (hydroCOD... 10 mL, Orally, Oral Solution, Q4H, PRN, Pain, Moderate PO (4-6 out of 10), 04/23/25 15:48:00 EDT**	
hydroCODONE-acetaminophen	* 10 mL Orally
Pain Score Global	8
Pain Scale Used	0 - 10 Numeric Rating Scale
Use when given per patient preference	Given per patient preference
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PRN Response	