

Renown Health
Inappropriate Stress Ulcer Prophylaxis Protocol

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Procedure:

1. A pharmacist may, under the authority of the Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee, discontinue medication orders for stress ulcer prophylaxis if the following criteria are met:
 - Patient is not in a critical care unit
 - Patient was not receiving the medication as an outpatient
 - The medical record does not contain documentation that the patient is being treated for or has a history of an indication other than stress ulcer prophylaxis including:
 - GI bleed
 - GERD (gastroesophageal reflux disease)
 - PUD (peptic ulcer disease)
 - *H. pylori* infection
 - Esophagitis
 - Dyspepsia
 - Hypersecretory or acid diseases (e.g Zollinger-Ellison Syndrome)
2. If the above criteria are met, the pharmacist will write an order “per P&T protocol” to discontinue the medication in question
3. If the prescribing physician does not agree with the discontinuation of the medication order, they may reorder the medication. However, an indication for the prescription must be provided and that indication may not be stress ulcer prophylaxis.
4. Medications affected by this protocol:
 - Histamine 2-receptor blockers (i.e. famotidine, etc.)
 - Proton Pump Inhibitors (i.e. omeprazole, etc.)
 - Sucralfate