

Chapter 5

Section 44: Managing The Use of Medications

The caseworker or Healthcare Coordinator (HCC) is responsible for receiving and reviewing the medication log of the child or young adult in substitute care monthly (OAR 413-070-0430 (4)(c)).

Any prescribed medication or over the counter medication routinely provided to the child or young adult that is administered by the resource parent must be documented using the CF 1083 Individual Medication Log(s). Multiple medications may be logged on one CF 1083 Individual Medication Log; however, a new log must be provided for each month the child or young adult is receiving the medication.

The caseworker or HCC must review, sign and ensure Individual Medication Logs are uploaded into OR-Kids File Cabinet in the child or young adult's file as they are received. The HCC will notify the caseworker once the medication log has been uploaded into the child or young adult's file cabinet in OR-Kids.

Caseworkers and the HCC should encourage substitute caregivers to help educate young adults on their medication regimen, medication log documentation and prescription refill process if they are developmentally able and willing to learn.

For any young adult 15 or older, the caseworker can authorize them to self-administer medications if they are determined capable and developmentally appropriate. Medication education is important for these young adults and the Health and Wellness Services Program Manager, or Nurse Consultant, is available to consult as needed. The medication administration will need to be documented on the CF 1038 Individual Medication Log and reviewed monthly by the caseworker or HCC.

For young adults, 18 or older, that are living independently in or out of a foster home and self-administer, medication logs are not needed. However, the caseworker should review medication usage during face-to-face contact.

If needed, consult with the Health and Wellness Services Program Manager, or Nurse Consultant.