290-5-8-.08 PHARMACY MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION.
Each home shall provide pharmaceutical services in full compliance with State and Federal laws and regulations.

290-5-8-.10 MEDICAL, DENTAL AND NURSING CARE.
...(6) All medications, administered to patients must be ordered in writing by the patient’s physician or oral orders may be given to a licensed nurse, immediately reduced to writing, signed by the nurse and countersigned by the physician as soon as practical. Medications not specifically limited as to time or number of doses, when ordered, must be automatically stopped in accordance with written policy approved by the organized professional staff.

(a) The patient’s attending physician shall be notified of stop order policies and contacted promptly for renewal of such orders so that continuity of the patient’s therapeutic regimen is not interrupted.

(7) All medications must be administered by medical or nursing personnel in accordance with the Medical and Nurse Practice Acts of the State of Georgia. Each dose administered shall be properly recorded in the clinical records:

(a) The nurses’ station shall have readily available items necessary for the proper administration of medication;

(b) In administering medications, medication cards or other State approved systems must be used and checked against the physician’s orders;

(c) Legend drugs prescribed for one patient shall not be administered to any other patient unless ordered by a physician;

(d) Self-administration of medications by patients should be discouraged except for emergency drugs on special order of the patient’s physician or in a predischarge program under the supervision of a licensed nurse;

(e) Medication errors and drug reactions shall be immediately reported to the patient’s physician and an entry thereof made in the patient’s clinical records as well as on an incident report;

(f) Up-to-date medication reference texts and sources of information shall be available.