

Department Of Human Services Information Bulletin

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Subject: **Labels for Over-the-Counter Medications**

In response to a number of agency inquiries the Department of Human Services' Office of Program Integrity is providing the following clarification related to requirements for over-the-counter medication labels in community residences for individuals with developmental disabilities or with head injuries.

Guidelines

There are no requirements for a pharmacy label for medications that are available over-the-counter, (OTC) since there may be a cost to the consumer to obtain a label from the pharmacist for these medications. The Office of Licensing recognizes that the manufacturer's label is sufficient to provide assurance that the medication is consistent with the physician's order.

The statement required in N.J.A.C. 10:44A-5.3(a) is considered a physician's order.