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POLICY

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DISPENSING PRESCRIPTIONS

OBJECTIVE: To establish guidelines for the dispensing of prescriptions at Bullhook Community Health Center (BCHC).

POLICY:

1. New prescriptions or refill authorizations may be issued by a BCHC provider using written, verbal, telephoned or electronic means.
2. Prescription Refills:
 - a. Prescriptions may be refilled in accordance with state and federal laws if authorized by the prescribing provider.
 - b. Prescriptions may be refilled by the pharmacist as outlined by BCHC Pharmacy refill protocol.
 - c. No prescription can be refilled more than 12 months after the original prescription date.
 - d. When refills are available, early refills and multiple refills will be allowed pursuant to the professional judgment of the pharmacist and prescribing provider.
3. Prescription Dispensing:
 - a. A pharmacy technician may be utilized pursuant to BCHCs Technician Utilization Plan, approved by the Montana Board of Pharmacy.
 - b. The pharmacist will review the client's medication profile and review the completed prescription to ensure that the medication provided is appropriate for the individual client and consistent with the therapeutic goals of the prescribing provider.
 - c. All patients picking up prescriptions will be double identified and counseling will be available to the patient by a pharmacist. Additional counseling will be conducted at the request of the patient, the provider or the pharmacist's discretion.

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