

Medication Label Does Not Match Consent Form



The information written on the medication label must exactly match the information written on the child's *Written Medication Consent Form*.

However, if your program has the *Administration of Medication Regulations – 3 Waiver Requests* (see Handout 4.8) approved for changes in the instructions, you can give medication in its originally labeled bottle when the only changes made by the health care provider are:

- dose; and
- time and/or frequency.

As part of the waiver, your program needs to let the staff approved to give medication know both verbally and in writing that the instructions on the pharmacy label do not match the instructions the health care provider has written.

One way to do this is to put a colored sticker on the child's medication near the pharmacy label. That way you will know that any child's pharmacy label marked with a sticker does not have the updated information and you should follow the instructions on the child's *Written Medication Consent Form*.

In addition, the health care provider must write on the consent form the date when the parent must give you a pharmacy label that matches the updated instructions. The parent must supply the updated pharmacy label by the date written or the consent form is no longer valid.



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