



POLICY AND PROCEDURE MANUAL CENTRAL VALLEY HEALTH DISTRICT

SECTION: NURSING SERVICES

POLICY # 402 ALLERGY INJECTIONS

POLICY: Central Valley Health District will assist clients by administering allergy injections as ordered by their primary medical provider.

PROCEDURE:

1. Physician orders will be obtained prior to giving allergy injections. Orders are placed in clients chart and will be reviewed annually and updated as necessary.
2. Complete client record and appropriate documentation per policy.
3. Route and frequency of allergy injection administration will be determined by physician orders.
4. Encourage clients to remain in office 15-20 minutes, or per physician recommendation, to observe for adverse reactions.
5. Nursing staff will follow policy on anaphylactic reaction in case of suspected reaction.
6. Allergy serum will be stored as recommended by physician order or manufacturer recommendations. Serum will be evaluated for supply and expiration date at time of each administration. Nurse will place allergy serum in zip lock bag with clients name displayed.
7. Clients are responsible for allergy serum reordering. Nurse will notify the client that additional supplies of serum need to be ordered. Special instructions for ordering will be placed in client's record.
8. Handout: Allergy information sheet may be utilized and should be given at the first visit or as needed.