Medication Reconciliation (MedRec) is a Multi-Step Process

### Admission
- **Best Possible Medication History (BPMH)**

### Transfer
- **New Transfer Orders**
- **Medication Administration Order (MAR)**

### Discharge
- **Medication Administration Order (MAR)**

#### Proactive Process
1. **Create** the BPMH using (1) a systematic process of interviewing the patient, family/caregiver and (2) a review of at least one other reliable source of information.
2. **Create** AMOs by assessing each medication in the BPMH.
3. **Compare** the BPMH against the AMOs ensuring all medications have been assessed; **identifying and resolving** all discrepancies with the most responsible prescriber.

#### Retroactive Process
1. **Create** a primary medication history (PMH).
2. **Generate** the AMOs from the PMH.
3. **Create** the BPMH using (1) a systematic process of interviewing the patient, family/caregiver and (2) a review of at least one other reliable source of information.
4. **Compare** the BPMH against the AMOs ensuring all medications have been assessed; **identifying and resolving** discrepancies with the most responsible prescriber.

#### How To
1. **Compare** the admission BPMH with the transfer orders and the existing transferring unit’s MAR ensuring all medications have been assessed;
2. **Identify and resolve** all discrepancies with the prescriber;
3. **Document and communicate** any resulting changes to the medication orders.

#### Tasks
- Clarify any confusion about medication names, doses, frequencies, or routes on the BPMH.
- Prescriber to decide which medications on the BPMH to continue, discontinue or modify.
- Identify and resolve discrepancies between the BPMH and admission medication order with the prescriber.

- Prescriber to decide:
  - which stopped medications on the BPMH should be restarted.
  - which inpatient medications to continue, discontinue or modify upon transfer.

- Prescriber to decide:
  - which stopped medications on the BPMH should be restarted.
  - which inpatient medications to continue, discontinue or modify upon discharge.
  - which new medication to start upon discharge.

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