

DOSE STANDARDIZATION POLICY (ROUNDING)

Pharmacists may round **oral** doses to + 20% of the prescribed dose. The purpose of the policy is to increase the efficiency of the pharmacy distribution system by utilizing the commonly prepackaged unit doses stored in the Automated Dispensing Cabinets.

Children < 3 months or < 5 kg in weight are excluded. These certain medications are excluded:

azathioprine	lithium lomustine
busulfan	mercaptopurine
capecitabine	methotrexate
captopril	midazolam
chlorambucil	mitotane
clonidine	mycophenolate
clozapine	pancreatic enzyme supplements
cyclophosphamide	prednisone/prednisolone
cyclosporine	procarbazine
dasatinib	risperidone
dexamethasone	sirolimus
digoxin	sotalol
etoposide	tacrolimus
fluoxetine	tamoxifen
furosemide	temozolomide
hydroxyurea	thioguanine
imatinib	valproic acid
ketamine	warfarin
levothyroxine	

- Doses will be rounded off to $\pm 20\%$ of the prescribed dose.
- The rounding policy will apply to oral dose forms only
- The physician can override the policy by indicating "Do not round dose"
- The dispensing pharmacist will include the order comment "dose rounded as per dose standardized policy" or similar verbiage to indicate the change