

## Adult Foster Home Provider Alert

Policy updates, rule clarifications and announcements

**Date:** May 21, 2013

**Topic:** Safe Medication Administration Campaign – Week Three Activity

**Provider:**  APD (Older Adults and Adults with Physical Disabilities)  
 DD (Developmental Disabilities)

This week's Safe Medication Administration Campaign activity is provided for you below.

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### 12 Weeks to a Safer Medication System: Week Three



**Time-critical medications must be given within 30 minutes, or less if specifically indicated, earlier or later than scheduled.**

**This weeks activity:**

- Review your agency's policy on giving medications on time:
  - ❖ Does the policy clearly address time-critical medications?
  - ❖ Is there a system in place to alert caregivers when a resident has a time-critical medication?
  - ❖ Does the caregiver know who they report to if unable to administer medications on time and what to do if medications are not administered on time?
- Review time-critical medications with your staff.

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For more information on the Six Rights and Three Checks go to:  
<http://www.oregon.gov/dhs/licensing/Pages/safe-med-administration.aspx> 5/13

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