

A. EFFECTIVE DATE :	September 12, 2018												
B. PURPOSE :	To establish guidelines for the use of Standing Orders that may be initiated prior to the patient encounter, to gather information to facilitate the patient visit.												
C. POLICY :	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. All direct patient care staff in the Ambulatory Medical Office Practices (RNs, LPNs, MAs, Cardiology Technicians, Ophthalmology Technicians, Radiology Technicians and Certified Diabetic Educators) may initiate approved standing orders within that discipline’s scope of practice.</li> <li>2. Assessments are conducted by RNs and Practitioners only.</li> <li>3. MA’s and Technicians are limited to performing tasks and data collection.</li> </ol>												
D. SCOPE :	UMG Medical Office Practices and the John Dempsey Hospital Medical Practices which include Cardiology, the Cancer Center, Dermatology, Nephrology, Pulmonology and Urgent Care.												
E. PROCEDURES, GUIDELINES AND PROTOCOLS :	Clinical experts with the approval of Clinical Council and the hospital Medical Board, will develop appropriate procedures, guidelines and/or protocols as necessary to implement this policy.												
F. REFERENCES :	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Connecticut Nurse Practice Act – CT General Statutes Chapter 378, sections 20-87a</li> <li>2. CT Board of Examiners for Nursing – Declaratory Ruling on Delegation to unlicensed Assistive Personnel.</li> </ol>												
G. RELATED POLICIES :	None												
H. SEARCH WORDS :	Standing Orders, Scope of Practice												
I. ENFORCEMENT:	Violations of this policy may result in appropriate disciplinary measures in accordance with University By-Laws, General Rules of Conduct for All University Employees, applicable collective bargaining agreements, the University of Connecticut Student Code, other applicable University Policies, or as outlined in the procedures document related to this policy.												
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K. REVISION HISTORY :	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. New Policy Approved: September 12, 2018</li> <li>2. Revised:</li> </ol>												

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