Introduction

Patients admitted to the virtual residence unit (VRU) will self-administer most of their medications in the home during calls with the Command Center Registered Nurse (CC RN). The expectation is patients will work with their care team to take medications in view of the CC RN, but there will be cases where the patient takes medications out of view of the CC RN. There are five ways to complete the MAR depending upon the situation in the Hospital at Home environment:

1) Patient is taking medications while the CC RN is watching via video link.
2) Family is administering medications while the CC RN is watching via video link.
3) Patient attests they took medication to the CC RN, but the CC RN did not witness the medication administration
4) Patient or Family member attests that a family member administered the medication to the CCRN, but the CC RN did not witness the medication administration.
5) The Field Registered Nurse (Field RN) administered while they are in the home.

MAR documentation in the Virtual Residence Unit (VRU)

**Situation 1**

Patient is taking medications while the Command Center Nurse is watching via video link.

- A generic patient name is used to document
- Performed by

- The Command Center RN enters their name for
- Witnessed by:
**Situation 2**

Family is administering medications while the CC RN is watching via video link.

- A generic family name (VRU, Family Administered) is used to document Performed by;
- The Command Center RN enters their name for Witnessed by:

**Situation 3**

Patient attests to the CC RN they took medication, but the CC RN did not witness the medication administration; the nurse will proxy sign for the patient.

- A generic patient name (VRU, Patient Administered) is used to document Performed by;
- Witnessed by will be left blank
Scenario 4

Patient or Family member attests that a family member administered the medication to the CCRN, but the CC RN did not witness the medication administration: the CC RN will proxy sign for the family.

- A generic family name (VRU, Family Administered) is used to document Performed by;
- Witnessed by will be left blank

Scenario 5

The Field Registered Nurse (Field RN) administers medication while they are in the home.

- Field RN enters their own name under Performed by
- Witnessed by will be left blank