## MILLE LACS BAND OF OJIBWE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES POLICY & PROCEDURE

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**POLICY STATEMENT:** Ne-la-Shing pharmacy will follow the guidelines listed in this policy for prescription distribution.

**PURPOSE:** The purpose of this policy is to ensure safe and consistent distribution practices for prescriptions.

## PROCEDURE:

- 1. Only the licensed pharmacist can dispense prescription medications. An exception would be a technician who is under direct supervision of a pharmacist and the final check for completeness and accuracy of the dispensed medication lies with the pharmacist.
- 2. Prescription medications must be picked up during clinic hours at the pharmacy or District 2 and 3 including Hinckley A.L.U. Controlled drug pick up will not be available at Hinckley A.L.U.
- 3. Patients must pick up their own medications and parents or guardians must pick up their own children's prescriptions. The patient or guardian may authorize another individual to pick up medications in their stead as long as the pharmacy is notified ahead of time.
- 4. Personnel authorized to deliver medications to patients are Clinic Heath Representatives, Public Health Nurses, and Indian Health Transport Drivers. The Pharmacy Courier is responsible for all medication delivery to Districts 2 and 3 including Hinckley A.L.U. PHN staff make deliveries only when they have a scheduled appointment with a patient and that patient happens to have a prescription to be delivered. These medications must be obtained from the pharmacist or from a clinic nurse.

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