**Issue/Process: Ordering Chemotherapy**

**Status:** Approved by Steering Committee 3/31/10

**Action Requested:**

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**Issue/Background: Chemotherapy Orders**

Once Computerized Physician Order Entry is implemented, physicians will enter orders electronically. Order sets will provide clinicians with a convenient, evidence-based format to select and enter orders.

There are some treatment regimens that are very complex and require very substantial individual and unique development to achieve safe and efficient implementation. In these cases, ordering by physicians appropriately remains a paper-based process.

The process of ordering Chemotherapy modalities is just such a complex process. Chemotherapy orders are currently written on forms specifically designed by providers to provide safety and efficient ordering and support the many protocols used in Oncology.

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**Recommendations**

- Continue the current paper-based process for Chemotherapy orders
- Continue to evaluate opportunities to convert Chemotherapy orders to a CPOE-based process as vendor support and our internal development provide safe and efficient automated alternatives to the paper process

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**Source of Recommendations**

- CPOE Project Team
- MAK/Pharmacy Project Team

**Response/Comments:**

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