



Effective September 17, 2009, a yellow or red hourglass icon will begin displaying on the orders tab; beside medications that have a soft or hard stop automatically applied per policy.

Soft Stop Icon

A yellow hourglass icon  indicates a soft stop. A soft stop alerts you that the medication has been ordered for the specified time period per policy but **will not be discontinued**. If the medication should be discontinued, this order should be placed. The yellow hourglass will display 24 hours prior to this specified time.

For example, a yellow hourglass will begin displaying on pediatric antibiotic orders. Pediatric antibiotic orders have a recommended 14 day administer timeframe per policy. A yellow hourglass will display on the 13th day, alerting you to this.

Hard Stop Icon

A red hourglass icon  indicates a hard stop. A hard stop alerts you that the medication has been ordered for the specified time period per policy and **will be discontinued**, unless a cancel/reorder or renew action is taken on the order. The red hourglass will display 24 hours prior to this specified time.

For example, a red hourglass will begin displaying on adult antibiotic orders. Adult antibiotic orders have a recommended 7 day administer timeframe per policy. A red hourglass will display on the 6th day, alerting you that the medication will automatically be discontinued after the 7th day.

The specified timeframes for certain medications is not new, but the icons are and will only display to alert you that action may be needed.

If you have questions, please contact the Help Desk at 516-0000, ##2.