PharmaNet Downtime Quick Guide

There are a number of different scenarios when the Cerner Clinical Information System (CIS) will not connect with PharmaNet and a downtime may be called. These downtimes may be planned or unplanned.

Planned downtime:

- The Ministry of Health (MOH) reserves a window from 12 AM midnight and 8 AM every Thursday for maintenance of the PharmaNet system.
 - o The system may be offline for the whole period, just a portion of the period or not at all.
- The MOH will send a downtime notification to the CST Service Desk representatives if a downtime is called with the expected duration of the downtime.
- The CST Service Desk will send a downtime notification to CIS users Wednesday at approximately 7 PM.
- There is no notification when the system returns to online status.
- Preparations should be made ahead of the outage (e.g., printing profiles if possible) and downtime procedures and documentation should be followed during the outage. These procedures are outlined below.

Unplanned downtime:

- As soon as it is discovered that PharmaNet is offline, a notification is sent out stating that PharmaNet is down and downtime procedures should be followed.
- Once the issue is resolved, a notification is sent stating that PharmaNet is back online.
- During the outage, procedures and documentation should be followed as outlined below.

Procedures and Documentation:

Depending on the type of outage, documentation of BPMH and Medication Reconciliation will need to occur on different forms. The following table summarizes which form to use when PharmaNet is down, the CIS is down or the connection is broken between the two.

	PharmaNet	Connection	CIS	Documentation
1	Up	Up	Down	BPMH and Adm MedRec: Medication Reconciliation Orders Form (PharmaNet profile)
2	Down	Up/Down	Up	BPMH: directly in PowerChart or if needed, Medication Reconciliation Orders Form (blank template) with Med Orders column crossed out
				Adm MedRec: done in PowerChart
3	Down	Up/Down	Down	BPMH and Adm MedRec: Medication Reconciliation Orders Form (blank template)
4	Up	Down	Up	BPMH: Best Possible Medication History Form
				Adm MedRec: done in PowerChart

Scenario 1: PharmaNet is accessible and the CIS is down

- For BPMH, use the <u>Medication Reconciliation form</u> printed from Excelleris with other collateral information (patient interview, medication lists, etc.) to document the BPMH.
- To complete Admission medication reconciliation, use the <u>Medication Reconciliation form</u> with completed BPMH information to reconcile and order medications.

Scenario 2: PharmaNet is down and CIS is available

- For BPMH, this can be done by entering medication information directly into the Document Meds by History list in the CIS using collateral information other than PharmaNet (patient interview, medication lists, etc.).
 - If a paper template is required, the <u>Medication Reconciliation Form blank template</u> (printed from FormsFast, Code Grey Kit or 724 Computer) can be used with the "Medication Orders" column crossed out.
- Admission medication reconciliation can occur directly within the CIS.

Scenario 3: PharmaNet is down and the CIS is down

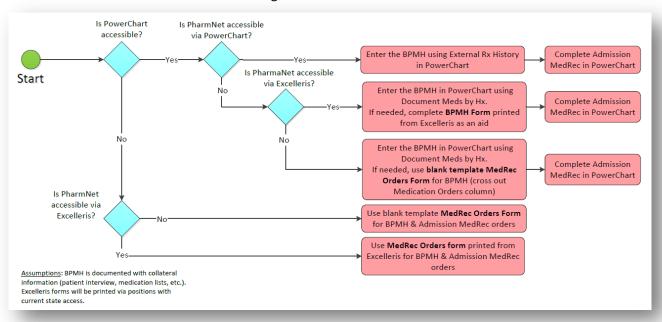
- For BPMH, use the <u>Medication Reconciliation Form blank template</u> (printed from FormsFast, Code Grey Kit or 724 Computer) with other collateral information (patient interview, medication lists, etc.) to document the BPMH.
- For Admission medication reconciliation, use the <u>Medication Reconciliation Form blank</u> <u>template</u> (available from FormsFast, Code Grey Kit or 724 Computers) completed with the patient's BPMH information to reconcile and order medications.

Scenario 4: PharmaNet is up and the CIS is up, but the connection between them is down.

- For BPMH, this can be done by entering medication information directly into the Document Meds by History list in the CIS by using collateral information (PharmaNet profile from another source such as Excelleris, patient interview, medication lists, etc.).
 - If PharmaNet is accessible via Excelleris, the <u>Best Possible Medication History form</u> may be printed from Excelleris. Verify this information with the patient and other collateral information and enter into the Document Meds by History list in the CIS.
- Admission medication reconciliation can occur directly within the CIS.

Choosing the Appropriate Method of Documentation

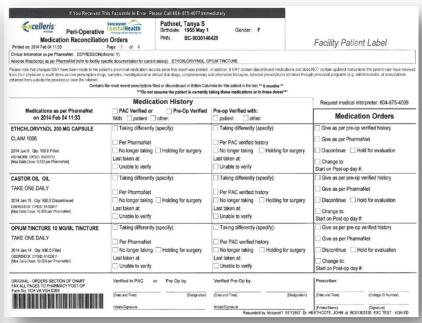
The following diagram is an algorithm for choosing the appropriate method of documenting BPMH and Admission Medication Reconciliation during downtime.



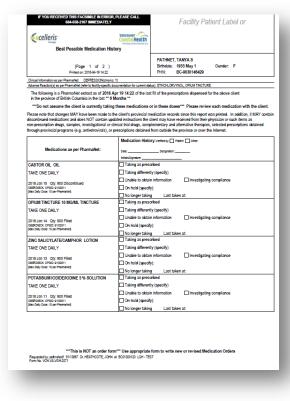
Examples of forms in use:

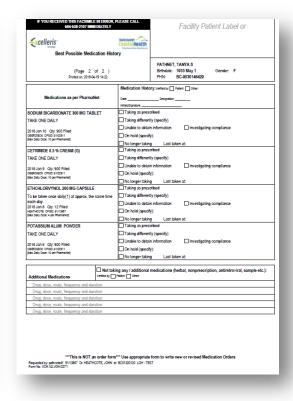
- Medication Reconciliation form printed from Excelleris PharmaNet profile with BPMH (Medication History) column and Medication Orders column with PharmaNet profile
 - <u>Perioperative Medication Reconciliation</u> from printed from Excelleris can be used in place of the Medication Reconciliation form as needed.





• <u>Best Possible Medication History Form</u> – PharmaNet profile with the Medication History column only. Compliance options match those of the CIS. Can be printed and used as an aid for entering BPMH into the CIS.





- Medication Reconciliation Orders Form <u>blank template</u> with BPMH (Medication History) and Medication Orders columns
 - <u>Perioperative Medication Reconciliation Orders Form</u> can be used in place of the Medication Reconciliation form as needed.

