**MOTION TO MEDICATE QUESTIONS FOR TREATING PHYSICIAN**

MOVE TO ADMIT PHYSICIAN’S CERTIFICATES/PEER REVIEW DOCUMENTS ATTACHED TO THIS MOTION

1. Is \*\*\*\* your patient?
	1. If not, are you familiar with this patient?
2. Is it your opinion that the patient would not be able to take care of themselves or is a danger to self or others outside the hospital setting?

Inability to Care for Self

* 1. In their current unmedicated condition, have there been behaviors that would indicate that outside of the hospital setting the patient would neglect basic needs for food, shelter, or personal safety to themselves or others? Could you give us some examples?

Danger to Self

* 1. Is their untreated serious mental illness affecting the patient’s ability to participate meaningfully in the treatment of a medical condition? In what manner?

Danger to Others

* 1. In their current unmedicated condition, have there been recent incidents regarding physical aggression towards others?
1. What is your diagnosis of the patient?
2. Is the patient taking medication?
	1. Is the patient’s intermittent ingestion of medication frequent enough for the medication to be effective in addressing the serious mental illness? Why not?
3. Have you discussed with the patient the potential benefits and side effects of the medication?
4. When you have had that discussion, what is the patient’s response?
5. Has the client articulated a rational basis for not taking the medication?
6. In your clinical opinion, do you believe that the client, in their current condition, is able to meaningfully participate in treatment decisions?
7. Is it your clinical opinion that the client will not improve without medication?
8. Do you recommend the following medications for the treatment of the client’s diagnosis of \*\*\*\*?
	1. READ LIST OF MEDICATIONS FROM THE MOTION/ORDER
	2. In the administration of certain medications, will you need the accompanying blood draws to monitor the medication levels in the patient’s blood?
9. Are the recommended medications medically appropriate for the condition/diagnosis given?
10. Do the potential benefits of the medication outweigh any potential side effects?
11. How does the treatment team monitor and manage side effects? (Has the hospital established a protocol of safeguards in place -- monitor medication levels, administer blood draws as necessary, modify medication and dosages as needed)
12. Without these medications, will the patient continue to be a danger to themselves/others/unable to care for self?
13. In your clinical opinion, is there any less intrusive alternative treatments available to restore the patient to psychiatric stability?