



---

*This is an official Seton Healthcare Family Communication  
sanctioned by the Seton Network Medical Executive Committee*

## **Duplicate Therapy Checking for Medication Orders in COMPASS Turned Off May 25, 2011**

*A message from Seton Healthcare Family's Dr. Jim Lindsey, senior vice president, Medical Affairs, and Dr. Tom Tinstman, vice president, Clinical Informatics*

Based on feedback from physicians and nurses, beginning Wednesday, May 25, duplicate therapy checking for medication orders in COMPASS will be turned off and will no longer display decision support alerts for duplicate therapy to physicians, nurses and respiratory therapists. Drug-drug interaction/DDI alerts and allergy alerts are not affected.

To ensure a safe transition for our patients, we ask that you follow the high-reliability principle of **STAR** when preparing to place or act on orders:

- **Stop:** Review active medication orders for the patient.
- **Think:** Consider the plan for the patient.
- **Act:**
  1. Modify medication orders as needed.
  2. Delete medication orders that are no longer appropriate.
  3. Add new medication orders.
- **Review:** Review the active medication orders to ensure that duplicate therapy, if ordered, is appropriate, e.g., duplicate therapy by route or intent, scheduled and PRN may be appropriate.

Please contact [Cara Schlegel](#), director of D&T Informatics, or [Chris Croker](#) for questions or concerns.

Jim Lindsey, MD  
Senior Vice President of Medical Affairs  
Seton Healthcare Family

Tom Tinstman, MD  
Vice President for Clinical Informatics and Clinical Transformation  
Seton Healthcare Family