

Pyxis “Waste Now”

S: Currently, there is a mix of “waste now or later” and “waste now only” across East Florida Division.

B: Pyxis has a setting to allow users to “waste now or later” upon dispensing. This option provides flexibility, however, this comes with the risk of delayed or missed documentation, which impacts compliance and tracking. “Waste now only” requires immediate waste of leftover medication at the time of dispensing or administration.

A: To ensure accurate, real-time tracking of controlled substances, helping to prevent medication diversion and comply with regulatory requirements for controlled substances, all Pyxis settings in non-procedural areas will be move to “Waste Now” upon removal medication when a partial dose is ordered

R: “Waste Now” minimizes the risk of medication diversion, and helps maintain accurate inventory and documentation. Compliance with controlled substance regulations is critical to prevent legal and safety violations. Immediate waste documentation creates a verifiable audit trail that protects both patients and clinicians from potential misuse. All sites will be changed to “Waste Now” on **December 10, 2024**

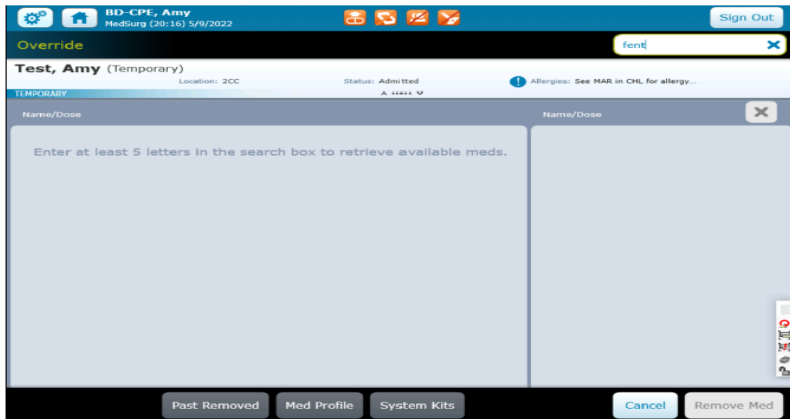
In the case of an emergency, when wasting now is not feasible, RNs are still able to bypass the “waste now” feature by tapping “cancel med”. Waste should occur as soon as possible following administration.

Emergency and Non-Profile Pyxis Override – Enter 5 Characters

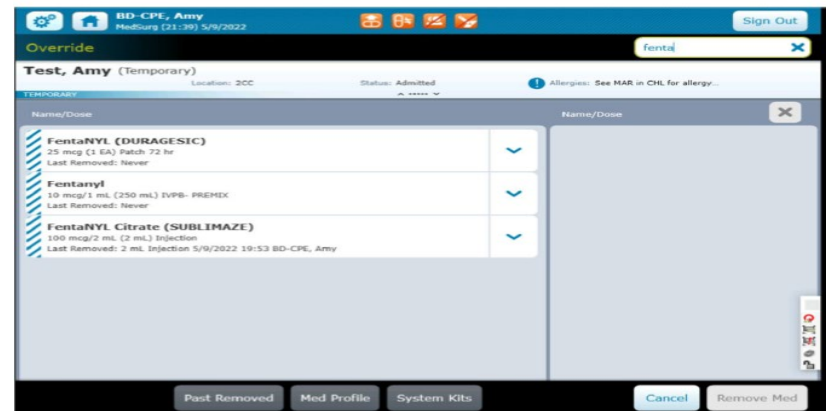
- Starting on **December 10, 2024**, clinicians attempting a Pyxis emergency medication override or removing medication during Pyxis downtime will need to enter the **first 5 letters** of the medication name
- Using a five character override reduces the risk medication errors as multiple medications have the same first three letters

Examples

Medication	Tenecteplase	SOLU-Medrol	All Insulins	EPINEPHrine:
Enter the first 5 letters of the medication	Tenecteplase or TNKAsE	SOLUMEDROL	INSULIN	EPINEPHRINE



Enter 0, 1, 2, 3, or 4 characters: No results are returned



Enter 5 characters: Results are returned

- For medications with less than 5 letters, enter the full medication name
- All kits: Enter **KIT – RSI Kit : KIT or RSI; OB Hemorrhage Kit: KIT or OB**
- Caution with phonetic spelling – Entering **Morfiine** for **Morphine** will not allow access to Morphine