**Unit Profile - Michigan Home Care Services - HomeMed**

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**Brief Description of the Unit**
HomeMed is a licensed pharmacy and the University of Michigan’s home infusion provider. We are responsible for providing infusion medications, nutritional therapy, specialty drugs, high-tech infusion nursing and care management services throughout Michigan and Northern Ohio to patients across the life span. An interdisciplinary team consisting of pharmacists, nurses and dietitians along with technical, administrative and support staff ensure that the patient's home regimens are safe and effective throughout the course of therapy. HomeMed RNs work on the clinical teams, in the hospital and in the home. The hospital-based training team works with patients and the referring health care teams to ensure that home care needs are identified prior to hospital discharge. The branch nursing staff provides clinical care and monitoring once discharged and the home infusion nurses infuse high risk medications to patients in the home.

**Common Medication (Categories of Drugs)**
1. Antibiotics
2. Antifungals
3. Chemotherapy
4. Parenteral Nutrition
5. Enteral Nutrition
6. Immune globulin
7. Pain
8. Factor
9. Inotropes

**Common Procedures**
1. Patient Education
2. Continuous chemotherapy infusion connection
3. Peripheral IV starts
4. First dosing of antibiotics
| Common Medical Diagnoses | 5. Phone triage  
| | 6. Lab monitoring  
| 1. Cancer  
| 2. Cystic Fibrosis  
| 3. Failure to Thieve/malnutrition  
| 4. Cardiac failure  
| 5. Infection  
| 6. Hemophilia  
| 7. Immunodeficiency syndrome  
| Common Precautions and Safety Measures | 1. 5 Rights of Medication administration  
| | 2. Fall prevention  
| | 3. Adverse drug reporting  
| | 4. Tall man lettering  