b) Medication Preparation when client is away from home. A home care provider who is providing medication management services must develop a policy and procedures for the issuance of medications to clients who have unplanned times away from home for a temporary periods and when an adequate medication supply cannot be obtained from the pharmacy in a timely manner.

The policy must state that for all prescription drugs a registered nurse may prepare up to a 72 hour supply. The RN may delegate this task to an ULP who has been trained and determined competent as per Section ……..(reference – see below for language to reference here)

Medications must be taken from the original containers and placed in suitable container. The container must be labeled with the client’s name; the date; the home care provider’s name and contact information; the medication name, strength , dose and route of administration; and the dates and times the medications are to be taken by client and any other information that the client should know regarding the medications.

The provider must document in the client record the date the medications were provided to the client; the person who provided the medications; the name of medication; the medications strength, dose and routes and administration times; the amounts of medications that were provided to the client and to whom the medications were given.

(reference for Delegation of medication:

4) Administration of Medication

a) Medications may be administered by a nurse, physician or other licensed health practitioner authorized to administer medications or by unlicensed personnel who have been delegated
medication administration tasks by a registered nurse, physician or authorized licensed health professional.

b) Delegation of Medication Administration.

1) When administration of medications is delegated to unlicensed personnel, the home care provider must ensure that the registered nurse, physician or authorized licensed health professional has:

   a.) instructed the ULP in the proper methods with respect to each client and the ULP has demonstrated their ability to competently follow the procedures;

   b). specified, in writing, specific instructions for each client; and documented those instructions in the clients’ records;

   c) communicated with the ULP about the individual needs of the client.