FOUR NEW “PRN PAIN” REASONS FOR SELECTION

Pain Mild (Score 1-3)
Pain Moderate (Score 4-6)
Pain Severe (Score 7-10)

Pain, Other, Specify >>>> to be used when above alternative Pain Score ranges do not apply or other specific directions are desired. If this reason is selected, there should be Order Comments that give clear guidance for pain management.

Note 1: “Breakthrough Pain” will remain a PRN REASON option

Note 2: PRN REASON “Pain/Temperature” INACTIVATED…inappropriate to have two different PRN reasons on same medication order.

Goal: To avoid therapeutic duplication as cited by Joint Commission… Multiple pain medication orders on same patient with same “prn reason” of “Pain”… Having pain scores gives specificity and differentiation between different pain meds.