**NURSE DELEGATION:**

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR GENERAL NURSING TASK**

General delegated tasks are those tasks that the Nurse identifies as general in nature and once learned can be performed for all resident. The CAREGIVER to whom the task is delegated must demonstrate the ability to perform the task as instructed by the Nurse. By signing this delegation form, the CAREGIVER being delegated agrees to perform the task as taught. The Nurse will review the CAREGIVER performance annually or as needed to assure continued competency in performance of the task.

**General Task: Crushing Medications (NOTE: Must have order and OK to crush on MAR)**

**Supplies Needed:**

* Hand sanitizer
* MAR
* Souffle cup
* Medicine cup
* Residents medications that can be crushed
* Silent night pill crusher
* Silent night pill crusher pouch

**Procedure/Steps to follow to perform task**

1. Sanitize hands
2. Gather supplies
3. Dispense meds per MAR
4. Put pills in pill crusher pouch
5. Crush pills in silent night pill crusher
6. Pour crushed pills into medicine cup
7. Add applesauce/pudding/sprinkle over food and mix (check MAR for instructions)
8. Put on spoon and hand to resident or feed to resident (check MAR for instructions)
9. Give resident water
10. Dispose of all trash and clean area
11. Sanitize hands

**Outcomes:**

* Resident will receive medication without difficulty