

New Prescribing Law Improves Patient Safety

PURPOSE

We'd like to make Delaware residents aware of how the new Delaware Electronic Prescribing mandate will change the way your prescriptions, including any for controlled substances, are sent from physicians to pharmacists.

NEW PRESCRIBING REGULATIONS

You may soon realize a change in how your provider prescribes prescription medications that are controlled substances, such as opioids for pain as well as amphetamines, including Adderall®, and benzodiazepines for conditions such as anxiety. New laws go into effect January 1, 2021, requiring electronic prescriptions instead of paper prescriptions for all controlled substances.

BENEFITS OF E-PRESCRIBING

Prescribing controlled substances electronically helps to significantly reduce medication errors, improving the quality of patient care. Some additional benefits include:

- Enhanced patient safety
- Improved accuracy
- Reduced fraud and drug diversion
- Reduced drug misuse and abuse
- Time saved

For more information on how electronic prescribing may impact you, consult your provider.

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