

## **PARTIAL DISPENSING OF SCHEDULE II CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES**

### **Rule 4729-5-26 [Update effective 04/27/2007]**

At the time of partial dispensing of a schedule II controlled substance prescription for a "terminally ill" patient or a patient residing in a "long term care facility", in accordance with section 1306.13 of the Code of Federal Regulations, the following must be observed:

- (A) Prior to a partial dispensing of a schedule II controlled substance, the pharmacist must confirm that the patient is "terminally ill" or a patient residing in a "long term care facility" and note this on the prescription.
- (B) The partial dispensing of a schedule II prescription can only occur at the pharmacy where the original prescription is on file.
- (C) At the time of partial dispensing of a schedule II controlled substance, the following must be noted on the back of the original prescription: the date dispensed, quantity dispensed, remaining quantity authorized to be dispensed, prescription number of this partial dispensing if different, and the manual initials of the dispensing pharmacist.
- (D) If an alternate record keeping system is being used and the system will not permit refills of schedule II controlled substances, a new prescription number for the partial dispensing must be assigned.
  - (1) A notation must also be made in the database that identifies this new prescription number as a partial dispensing and provides the serial number of the original prescription.
  - (2) A prescription bearing the new serial number must be placed in the schedule II file. The prescription for each partial filling must also show the serial number of the original prescription.
- (E) The total quantity of schedule II controlled substances dispensed in all partial fillings must not exceed the total quantity prescribed.
- (F) All partial dispensings of schedule II controlled substances must occur within sixty days from the date of issuance of the prescription by the prescriber.

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