



## OARRS Rules Update - Spring 2019

On March 15, 2019, new rules governing the operation of the Ohio Automated Rx Reporting System (OARRS) go into effect.

All rules pertaining to OARRS will be located in division 4729:8 of the Ohio Administrative Code. While much of the rule content mirrors the current OARRS rules ([4729-37](#)), the following are some substantive changes:

**4729:8-1-01 & 4729:8-3-01:** Specifies that all the following entities are required to submit wholesale sales data to OARRS:

- Wholesale distributors of dangerous drugs;
- Virtual wholesalers;
- Manufacturers of dangerous drugs;
- Outsourcing facilities; and
- Pharmacies conducting wholesale drug sales/transfers (regardless of common ownership) and occasional wholesale sales to other terminal distributors or prescribers.

**For more information on reporting wholesale sales, visit:**

[www.pharmacy.ohio.gov/wholesalereport](http://www.pharmacy.ohio.gov/wholesalereport)

**4729:8-2-02:** Specifies that naltrexone must only be reported by dispensing pharmacies. More information on naltrexone reporting to OARRS can be accessed here:

[www.pharmacy.ohio.gov/naltrexone](http://www.pharmacy.ohio.gov/naltrexone).

**4729:8-4-01:** Authorizes peer review committees to access OARRS relating to a prescriber who is subject to the committee's evaluation, supervision, or discipline. **NOTE: Guidance for peer review committees will be issued prior to the rule's effective date.**

The following table provides an overview of the new rules, the rule it is replacing and links to rule text.

| Rule                        | Title   | Effective Date | Replaces?                  |
|-----------------------------|---|----------------|----------------------------|
| <a href="#">4729:8-1-01</a> | Ohio Automated Rx Reporting System - Definitions. | 3/15/2019      | <a href="#">4729-37-01</a> |
| <a href="#">4729:8-2-01</a> | List of drugs to be reported.                     | 3/15/2019      | <a href="#">4729-37-02</a> |
| <a href="#">4729:8-2-02</a> | Additional drugs to be reported.                  | 3/15/2019      | <a href="#">4729-37-12</a> |
| <a href="#">4729:8-3-01</a> | Entities required to submit information.          | 3/15/2019      | <a href="#">4729-37-03</a> |

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| <a href="#">4729:8-3-02</a> | Information required for submission.  | 3/15/2019 | <a href="#">4729-37-04</a>                                |
| <a href="#">4729:8-3-03</a> | Electronic format required for the transmission of drug sales.  | 3/15/2019 | <a href="#">4729-37-05/</a><br><a href="#">4729-37-06</a> |
| <a href="#">4729:8-3-04</a> | Frequency requirements for submitting drug database information.  | 3/15/2019 | <a href="#">4729-37-07</a>                                |
| <a href="#">4729:8-3-05</a> | Corrections to the drug database.   | 3/15/2019 | <a href="#">4729-37-11</a>                                |
| <a href="#">4729:8-4-01</a> | Procedures for obtaining drug database information and access by peer review committees.<br><br><b>Guidance for peer review committees will be issued prior to the rule's effective date.</b> | 3/15/2019 | <a href="#">4729-37-08</a>                                |
| <a href="#">4729:8-4-02</a> | Extension to the information storage requirements and the provision of database statistics.   | 3/15/2019 | <a href="#">4729-37-09/</a><br><a href="#">4729-37-10</a> |