

State of Ohio Board of Pharmacy Adopts Emergency Rule Classifying Xylazine as Schedule III Controlled Substance - Effective 3/29/23

Ohio Governor Mike DeWine today signed an executive order directing the State of Ohio Board of Pharmacy to immediately classify xylazine as a Schedule III controlled substance via **emergency rule**.

To ensure that veterinarians and other licensees remain in compliance with Ohio Law and to limit disruptions to the supply chain, the Board is issuing temporary enforcement waivers for veterinary clinics, terminal distributors, and drug distributors. This document can be accessed here: www.pharmacy.ohio.gov/xylazineCOMP.

As a reminder, this is a state action and will not require any additional registration with the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration.

For more information regarding the emergency scheduling of xylazine visit: www.pharmacy.ohio.gov/xylazine.

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