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### RULE

## Department of Health Board of Pharmacy

Partial Fills of Controlled Dangerous Substance Prescriptions (LAC 46:LIII.2735 and 2747)

In accordance with the provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act (R.S. 49:950 et seq.) and the Pharmacy Practice Act (R.S. 37:1161 et seq.), the Board of Pharmacy has amended §§2735 and 2747 of its rules relative to prescriptions for controlled dangerous substances. The change in §2735 require pharmacies dispensing prescriptions for controlled dangerous substances to use a dispensing information system capable of accurately recording partial fills and refills of such prescriptions. The changes in §2747 require a pharmacist to dispense a partial fill of a

prescription for a controlled dangerous substance when requested by the patient or prescriber, subject to the pharmacist's obligation relative to corresponding responsibility. This Rule is hereby adopted on the day of promulgation.

# Title 46 PROFESSIONAL AND OCCUPATIONAL STANDARDS

#### Part LIII. Pharmacists

Chapter 27. Controlled Dangerous Substances Subchapter E. Recordkeeping Requirements §2735. Continuing Records

A. - A.4. ...

B. Records for Manufacturers, Distributors, Third-Party Logistics Providers, Dispensers, Researchers, Importers, and Exporters

1. - 2. ...

- 3. Record for Dispensers and Researchers
- a. Each person authorized to dispense or conduct research with controlled substances shall maintain records with the same information required of manufacturers pursuant to this Section.
- b. In addition, records shall be maintained of the number of units or volume of such finished form dispensed, including the name and address of the person to whom it was dispensed, the date of dispensing, the number of units or volume dispensed, and the written or typewritten name or initials of the individual who dispensed or administered the substance on behalf of the dispenser.
- c. In addition to the requirements of this Paragraph, practitioners dispensing gamma-hydroxybutyric acid under a prescription shall also comply with federal law.
- d. Pharmacies dispensing prescriptions for controlled substances shall use a dispensing information system capable of accurately recording partial fills and refills.

B.4. - F.5. ...

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 40.972

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### **§2747.** Dispensing Requirements

A. ..

B. Prescriptions for Controlled Substances Listed in Schedule II

1. - 4.c. iv ...

- 5. Partial Filling of Prescription
- a. The partial filling of a prescription for a controlled substance listed in Schedule II is permissible with the following limitations:

i. ...

ii. When a partial fill is requested by the patient or the prescriber, the pharmacist shall dispense a quantity less than the total quantity prescribed. The total quantity dispensed in all partial fillings shall not exceed the total quantity prescribed. No remaining portion of a partial filling may be dispensed more than 30 days after the date on which the prescription was written. The requirement for a pharmacist to comply with a patient or prescriber request to dispense a partial fill shall not supersede the pharmacist's

obligation relative to corresponding responsibility as described in Subsection E of this Section.

- 5.b. 8.b.iii. ...
- C. Prescriptions for Controlled Substances Listed in Schedule III, IV, or V
  - 1. 4.c.v. ...
- 5. Partial Filling of Prescriptions. When requested by the patient or prescriber, the pharmacist shall dispense a partial fill of a controlled substance listed in Schedules III, IV or V, provided that:
- a. the information required for a partial filling, and the manner in which it is recorded, is the same as that required for a refill;
- b. the number of partial fillings is not limited; however, the total quantity dispensed in all partial fillings shall not exceed the total quantity authorized on the original prescription. The total quantity authorized may be calculated as the sum of:
  - i. the quantity prescribed, and
- ii. the calculated amount of the quantity prescribed times the number of refills originally authorized by the prescriber;
- c. no dispensing shall occur more than six months after the date on which the prescription for a controlled substance listed in Schedule III or IV was issued, or more than one year after the date on which the prescription for a controlled substance listed in Schedule V was issued; and
- d. the requirement for a pharmacist to comply with a patient or prescriber request to dispense a partial fill shall not supersede the pharmacist's obligation relative to corresponding responsibility as described in Subsection E of this Section.
  - C.6. F. ...

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