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Mid-level Practitioner (Physician Assistants and Advance Practice Registered Nurses) Prescribing of Scheduled II Substances

Beginning January 21, 2019 the OHCA will implement a pharmacy edit that will deny claims for scheduled II substances (CII) prescribed by Physician Assistants (PA) and Advance Practice Registered Nurses (APRN). This edit cannot be overridden.

Mid-level practitioners (Physician Assistants and Advance Practice Registered Nurses) are NOT legally authorized to prescribe CII substances in the state of Oklahoma for an outpatient prescription. Other states may allow mid-level prescribing of a CII, but a prescription from an out of state mid-level practitioner cannot be legally filled by a licensed pharmacy in the state of Oklahoma.

As a reminder, only Oklahoma licensed mid-level practitioners supervised by an Oklahoma licensed physician may prescribe and issue valid Oklahoma prescriptions.

For your reference O.S. Title 59 Sec 353.1a; Oklahoma Pharmacy Law Book – Appendix E and link copied below from the State Board of Pharmacy website: https://www.ok.gov/pharmacy/Resources/FAQ/Pharmacists/

For additional coverage information, please call the SoonerCare Pharmacy helpdesk at (800) 522-0114, option 4.

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