

Michigan's New Prescribing Laws: Timeline Summary

March 2018

- ◆ When treating patients for an opioid-related overdose, **provide information** on substance use disorder services.
- ◆ Dispensing prescribers are to **report to MAPS** (check exceptions).
- ◆ **Query MAPS** when prescribing/dispensing buprenorphine or methadone to a patient in a substance use disorder program.
- ◆ **Report to MAPS** when dispensing buprenorphine, or a drug containing buprenorphine, or methadone, to a patient in a substance use disorder program if permissible under federal law.
- ◆ **Follow-up care** is to be provided by the prescriber or by referral to the patients' PCP.

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- ◆ **Register with MAPS** prior to prescribing controlled substances.
- ◆ **Query MAPS** first when prescribing/dispensing more than a 3-day supply of a controlled substance (check exceptions).
- ◆ When prescribing a controlled substance that is an opioid, **provide information** and **obtain a patient signature** on MDHHS consent form (exception if prescribed for inpatient use).
- ◆ **Minor patients** – prior to prescribing a controlled substance containing an opioid, discuss the required information on danger and risks and **obtain a signed “start talking consent” form** (check exceptions).

Note: MDHHS combined the two forms noted above into a single, one-page form which is available at:
www.msms.org/BeAWARE

July 1, 2018

- ◆ **Limit prescriptions of opioids** for “acute pain” to a maximum of a 7-day supply within a 7-day period.
- Note:** “Acute pain” is defined as pain that is the normal, predicted physiological response to a noxious chemical or thermal or mechanical stimulus and is typically associated with invasive procedures, trauma, and disease and usually lasts for a limited amount of time.

March 31, 2019

- ◆ **Only prescribe Schedule 2-5 controlled substances** if a bona fide prescriber-patient relationship exists and follow up care is established.

Note: Pursuant to Public Act 101 of 2018 signed by the Governor on April 2, 2018, the effective date of this provision is March 31, 2019, or upon the promulgation of administrative rules if before March 31, 2019.

