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Standards and procedures for review of Ohio Automated Rx Reporting System (OARRS).

(A) For purposes of this rule and sections 4715.30 (A)(13) and 4715.302 of the Revised Code:

- (1) "OARRS" means Ohio Automated Prescription Reporting System;
- (2) "OARRS report" means a report of information related to a specific patient generated by the drug database established and maintained by the State board of pharmacy pursuant to section 4729.75 of the Revised Code.
- (3) "Personally furnishing" does not include the administration of a drug.
- (4) "Reported drugs" includes the following:
 - (a) All controlled substances in scheduled II, III, IV, and V; and
 - (b) All dangerous drug products containing carisoprodol or tramadol.
- (5) "Diversion" includes but is not limited to the following:
 - (a) Selling drugs;
 - (b) Borrowing drugs;
 - (c) Sharing drugs.
- (6) "Protracted basis" means for a period in excess of twelve continuous weeks, and for no more than twenty four weeks over a period of one year.

(B) If a dentist knows or has reason to believe that a patient may be abusing or diverting drugs, the dentist shall use sound clinical judgment in determining whether or not a reported drug should be prescribed or personally furnished to the patient under the circumstances. To assist in this determination, the dentist shall consider whether to access OARRS and document receipt and assessment of the information received if the patient exhibits signs of drug abuse or diversion. These signs may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- (1) Engaging in or has a history of drug related criminal activity;
- (2) Is receiving reported drugs from multiple prescribers;
- (3) Has family members, friends, law enforcement officers, or health care professionals express concern related to the patient's use of illegal or reported drug;
- (4) Has a known history of chemical abuse or dependency;

(5) Is requesting reported drugs by street name, color, or identifying marks;

(6) Frequently requesting early refills of reported drugs;

(7) Frequently losing prescriptions for reported drugs.

(C) Following review of OARRS report information, the dentist shall document receipt of the information in the patient's record.

(D) A dentist licensed under this chapter who prescribes or personally furnishes reported drugs to treat a patient on a protracted basis shall, at a minimum, document receipt and assessment of an OARRS report in the following circumstances:

(1) Once the dentist has reason to believe that treatment will be required on a protracted basis;

(2) At least once annually thereafter.

(E) In requesting OARRS reports according to this rule:

(1) Reports requested should cover a time period of at least one year;

(2) In the event an OARRS report is not immediately available prior to writing a prescription for, or personally furnishing, a reported drug, the dentist shall document in the patient record why the OARRS report was not available.

(F) Paragraph (D) above does not apply to a hospice patient in a hospice care program as those terms are defined in Section 3712.01 of the Revised Code.

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