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MAPS ALERT

Change in ASAP Format for Electronic Transmission of Prescription Data Michigan Automated Prescription System (MAPS)

Board of Pharmacy Rules 338.3162b and 338.3162c state that all pharmacies and practitioners who dispense controlled substances in schedules 2 through 5 must report this prescription data to the State of Michigan prescription monitoring program, the Michigan Automated Prescription System (MAPS), and in a format established by the American Society for Automation in Pharmacy (ASAP).

Enhancements have been made to MAPS due to the recent U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) rule change effective June 1, 2010 that provides practitioners with the option of writing prescriptions for controlled substances electronically, and permits pharmacies to receive, dispense, and archive these electronic prescriptions. These enhancements will require pharmacies and practitioners to report prescription data using the latest version of the ASAP format, ASAP Version 4.1 (2009). The new required format will enable MAPS to accept and process electronic prescriptions.

Effective May 1, 2011, all prescription data reported to MAPS must be reported in the ASAP Version 4.1. Due to system requirements, prescription data submitted in previous ASAP versions cannot be accepted after May 1, 2011. MAPS is currently accepting the ASAP Version 4.1 for those dispensers who wish to make the conversion before May 1, 2011. Please note that pharmacies, practitioners and veterinarians who submit prescription data as a registered user through MAPS Online via the Data Entry screen may disregard this notice.

In addition, MAPS reporting requirements will change from twice monthly reporting to weekly reporting in an effort to provide more accurate and up to date prescription information to health professionals. Although weekly reporting will be the new requirement in mid to late 2011, daily reporting is also accepted.

Please contact MAPS staff with any questions or if you experience difficulties in converting to the ASAP Version 4.1 format. You may also visit the MAPS website at www.michigan.gov/mimapsinfo for additional information on reporting requirements. For more information regarding the ASAP Version 4.1, please contact the American Society for Automation in Pharmacy (ASAP) at www.asapnet.org or (610) 825-7783.

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