

NOTE: This summary is intended as a guide only. It is not a legal opinion. It represents best knowledge at time of publication.

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	Dispensing	State Issued	State Issued	NPs Credentials	PAs Credentials
	Allowed	Dispensing License	Controlled Substance License	Accepted For Dispensing	Accepted For Dispensing
Alabama	Yes	required (10)	required for DEA scheduled drugs only	no	no
Alaska	Yes	not required		yes	yes
Arizona (14)	Yes	required for ALL medications (11)(19)(20)	see foot note (19)	yes(10)	yes
Arkansas	Yes ***	"Need based" registration required		no	no
California	Yes	not required		yes (with restrictions)	yes
Colorado	Yes	not required		no	yes (limited)
Connecticut	Yes	not required	required for DEA scheduled drugs only	no	no
Delaware	Yes	not required	required for DEA scheduled drugs only	no	no
District of Columbia	Yes	required with D.C. DOH	required for DEA scheduled drugs only	yes	yes
Florida (17)	Yes	required for ALL medications	Cannot dispense CII and CIII	yes	yes
Georgia	Yes	required (but no license is issued) (5)		yes (limited)	yes (limited)
Hawaii	Yes	not required	required for DEA scheduled drugs only	no	no
Idaho	Yes	required	required for DEA scheduled drugs only	yes	yes (limited)
Illinois	Yes	not required	required for DEA scheduled drugs only (12)	yes	yes
Indiana (14)	Yes	required - does not send license	required for DEA scheduled drugs only (11)	yes (with restrictions)(23)	yes
Iowa	Yes	required (25)	required for DEA scheduled drugs only	yes (with restrictions) (26)	yes (with restrictions) (26)
Kansas	Yes	not required		no	no
Kentucky	Yes	not required		yes - (limited)	no
Louisiana	Yes	required for ALL medications(2)	required for DEA scheduled drugs only - 48 hour limit	yes (14)	no
Maine (14)	Yes	not required		yes (with restrictions)(14)	yes
Maryland	Yes	required for ALL medications (12)(18)(22)	required for DEA scheduled drugs only (8)(11)	yes - limit to starter dose(14)	yes - limit to starter dose
Massachusetts	Yes ***	required - but all practitioners limited to dispensing single dose or enough for "immediate" needs		**	**
Michigan	Yes	required for ALL medications (1)(24)	required for DEA scheduled drugs only (4)	yes - limited 72 hour supply	yes - limited 72 hour supply

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Minnesota(15)	Yes	required if selling for profit (9)		yes	yes
Mississippi	Yes	not required		yes (14)	yes
Missouri	Yes	required	required for DEA scheduled drugs (7)(14)	yes	yes
Montana	Yes ***	not required - but dispensing is extremely limited for all practitioners (28)		yes - (extremely limited)	yes - (extremely limited)
Nebraska	Yes	required - special dispensing license from Bd of Pharmacy		no	yes - dispensing license required
Nevada	Yes	required for ALL medications (11)	required for ALL medications (11)	yes	yes
New Hampshire	Yes	not required		yes(14)	yes
New Jersey	Yes ***	Physician Dispensing limited to 7 days	required for DEA scheduled drugs only (4)(11)	yes	no
New Mexico	Yes	not required	required for DEA scheduled drugs only (11)	yes (14)	yes
New York	Yes ***	Physician Dispensing limited to 72 hours supply with a few exceptions		yes (with restrictions)(16)	yes
North Carolina	Yes	required for ALL medications (6)(21)	required for DEA scheduled drugs only (11) (13)	yes, with consult RPh	yes, with consult RPh
North Dakota	Yes	not required		yes	yes
Ohio (3)	Yes	required - terminal distributor license, unless sole practitioner		no	no
Oklahoma	Yes	required	required for DEA scheduled drugs	no	no
Oregon	Yes	required for ALL medications (2) it's on state license		yes (limited) (14)	no
Pennsylvania	Yes	not required		no	yes
Rhode Island (15)	Yes	not required	required for DEA scheduled drugs only it's on state Lic	yes	yes (limited)
South Carolina	Yes	required for "non-owned" sites only	required for DEA scheduled drugs	yes	yes
South Dakota	Yes	required		yes (restricted) (27)	yes (restricted) (27)
Tennessee	Yes	not required	required for controlled substances only (5)	yes (limited)	yes (limited)
Texas	Yes ***	prohibits dispensing with few exceptions	required for DEA scheduled drugs only	no	no
Utah	No	Prohibits Physician Dispensing		**	**
Vermont	Yes	not required		yes	yes
Virginia	Yes	required for ALL medications ("controlled substance dispensing license") (2)		no	no
Washington (15)	Yes	not required		yes	yes
West Virginia	Yes	required for ALL medications (2) it's noted on state license		yes	yes

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Wisconsin (15)	Yes	not required		no	no
Wyoming	Yes	required - No paper copy	required for DEA scheduled drugs only	yes(14)	yes, (limited)
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(1) "Drug Control" license					
(2) not apply to dentists					
(3) has licenses that may be restricted to a certain list of medications - see regulations					
(4) CDS license					
(5) Customer must send letter to Board of Medicine stating they are dispensing and provide signed document to us stating they have registered with the Board for dispensing					
(6) Customer must provide license OR signed document stating they do not sell for profit in lieu of a license copy					
(7) "BNDD" license State Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs license or registration					
(8) license must state "dispense" or possession of DEA controlled substances is prohibited					
(9) Customer must provide signed document to us stating that they have registered with the Board for dispensing OR a signed document stating they do not dispense for profit					
(10) the Dispensing license is tied to the practitioner license and no certificate is issued (can be verified as part of the practitioner license verification)					
(11) address on license must match the ship-to address					
(12) the address does not have to match the ship-to address					
(13) exempt from CS license if they are the sole practitioner					
(14) no longer issues paper license, website verification okay to use					
(15) no longer issues new paper license for State Practitioner renewal					
(16) if "F" in front of license # they have dispensing privileges and do not need a supervising MD.					
(17) Effective 10/1/2010, will need separate clinic registration for pain clinics.					
(18) Dispensing License not required for practitioners at an educational facility.					
(19) Dispensing License must have schedules listed if ordering controlled substances					
(20) Podiatrists require Dispensing License but one is not issued, it will state on Medical License if dispensing fee has been paid, must keep DEA on file for Dispensing to be valid.					
(21) Hospital/Pharmacy/Clinics do not require Dispensing License					
(22) NP do not require Dispensing License					
(23) ANP must have prescribing authority (will state on website verification) Account should be informed they are responsible to be in compliance w/IN law regarding collaborating MD.					
(24) not required for emergency departments, emergency room, or trauma center of a hospital under Michigan Law, Article 17					
(25) must inform the medical board at least biennially that practitioner is dispensing prescription drugs					
(26) only if pharmacist services not reasonably available or when in best interests of patient - cannot make a profit.					
(27) only one course of no more than a 30 day supply in prepackaged form.					
(28) in emergency or where no pharmacy is readily available					
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