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## ADD/ADHD Prescriptions

### EFFECTIVE MAY 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2018

**Please phone in your request for a prescription refill at least 48 hours before the patient runs out.**

**PATIENTS ON CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ARE NOW REQUIRED TO HAVE A MEDICATION RE-CHECK AT LEAST EVERY 3 MONTHS AND AN ANNUAL PHYSICAL EXAMINATION. PLEASE SEE BELOW FOR A DETAILED FOLLOW-UP SCHEDULE.**

These medications are used to control symptoms of Attention Deficit / Hyperactivity Disorder. These medications are classified by the Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) as a controlled substance. As such, there are very strict rules on how and when these prescriptions are to be written by physicians. Due to these special regulations, we must inform you of the following:

- 1) **Prescriptions must be rewritten every month.** It is against the law for physicians to give refills. These prescriptions must be picked up in the office, they cannot be called in. Please remember, every patient in the office who is on a controlled substance must have an individual prescription written every month or 90 days if insurance allows.
- 2) **We cannot pre-date any prescriptions.** This is a violation of state and federal laws.
- 3) **Effective June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018,** all controlled substance prescriptions will require prescribers to obtain a report from the Michigan Automated Prescription System before each prescription is written.
- 4) **Follow-up Schedule:**
  - New medication starts and/or medication changes – follow-up in 2 weeks
  - Medication dosage change – follow-up in 4-6 weeks
  - Stable on medication – follow-up every 3 months

Due to the above circumstances, the physicians write many of these prescriptions every month. Due to the strict regulations, lengthy paperwork and the documentation that is now required, we must **request 48 hours notice before a new prescription is written.** Due to the large number of patients we see on these medications **we are unable to write prescriptions on a walk-in basis or at non-scheduled appointments.** Thank you for your assistance in helping to make the office run as smoothly as possible.