



**STATE OF  
OHIO**  
BOARD OF PHARMACY

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## Update on Gabapentin in Ohio

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As a reminder, **gabapentin is not considered a controlled substance in Ohio.**

The Board was made aware of incorrect communications made by a third-party vendor stating that Ohio had made gabapentin a controlled substance.

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While gabapentin is not a controlled substance, [rule 4729:8-2-02](#) requires the following entities to submit the specified dispensing, personal furnishing, or wholesale sale information on all products containing gabapentin to the Ohio Automated Rx Reporting System (OARRS):

- All pharmacies located outside this state and licensed as a terminal distributor of dangerous drugs that dispense gabapentin to outpatients residing in this state.
- All pharmacies located within this state and licensed as a terminal distributor of dangerous drugs that dispense gabapentin to all outpatients.
- All wholesalers licensed as a wholesale distributor of dangerous drugs that sell gabapentin at wholesale shall report those drug transactions.
- All pharmacies licensed as a terminal distributor of dangerous drugs that sell gabapentin at wholesale shall report those drug transactions.
- All prescribers, except veterinarians, located within this state that personally furnish gabapentin to outpatients, including samples.

**NOTE:** This requirement has been in effect since December 2016.

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