Mailing or Delivery of Non-Controlled Dangerous Drugs
Personally Furnished by Prescribers

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The Board hereby authorizes a licensed terminal distributor of dangerous drugs (TDDD) to mail or deliver non-controlled drugs to patients that have been personally furnished by a prescriber that is employed or contracted by the terminal distributor. The terminal distributor must comply with all the following:

(1) The non-controlled dangerous drugs must be delivered to the patient by means of an employee of the TDDD, United States Postal Service, or common or contract carrier.

(2) Except as provided for in paragraph (3) of this resolution, non-controlled medications delivered to a patient may not be returned to the TDDDs drug inventory.

(3) Notwithstanding the provisions of OAC 4729:5-3-16, if a dangerous drug is returned by an employee of the TDDD (i.e. has not left the possession of the employee) or is returned in original packaging (i.e. return to sender) by the United States Postal Service or common or contract carrier, it may only be returned to stock/inventory if the medication meets either of the following prior to initially leaving the TDDD:

(a) The drug is personally furnished in a tamper evident container or package prior to leaving the TDDD; or

(b) The drug is personally furnished in the manufacturer's original tamper evident packaging.

(4) Dangerous drugs that are personally furnished and shows any signs of tampering or adulteration shall not be returned to stock.

(5) The drug is properly labeled in accordance with the applicable personal furnishing rules in division 4729:5 of the Administrative Code.

(6) The terminal distributor shall provide a written offer to counsel with the accompanying medication. The offer must include a telephone number where a prescriber may be contacted regarding the medication’s use.

(7) All required records are maintained in accordance with the applicable record keeping rules in division 4729:5 of the Administrative Code.

(8) This resolution shall not apply to opioid treatment programs operating in accordance a Board resolution that authorizes the delivery of patient medications by opioid treatment programs ("Delivery by Opioid Treatment Programs").

This resolution shall remain in effect until rescinded by the Board or the Board final files corresponding rules authorizing the shipment of drugs that have been personally furnished by a prescriber.