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DEA Provides Clarification on Changes Pharmacists May Make to Schedule II Paper Prescriptions

Today, the United States Drug Enforcement Administration issued [guidance](#) regarding what changes can be made to a schedule II prescription:

Question: *What changes can be made to a schedule II paper prescription?*

Answer: *In the past few months, DEA has received an increasing number of questions concerning pharmacists' ability to add or modify information—like a patient's address—on paper prescriptions. To address these questions, DEA has been reviewing the relevant regulations and working to draft new regulations to address this issue. **In the interim, pharmacists should adhere to state regulations or policy regarding those changes that a pharmacist may make to a schedule II prescription after oral consultation with the prescriber.***

Source: [https://www.deadiversion.usdoj.gov/GDP/\(DEA-DC-063\)\(EO-DEA257\) Changes to a Prescription Guidance - Final.pdf](https://www.deadiversion.usdoj.gov/GDP/(DEA-DC-063)(EO-DEA257) Changes to a Prescription Guidance - Final.pdf)

As a reminder, changes to schedule II prescriptions are authorized in Ohio under OAC [4729:5-5-16](#).

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