



# **POCP's Regulatory Resource Center**

Navigating Today's Complex Policy Landscape



# About POC



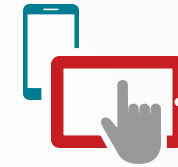
## Payers

- Health Plans
- PBMs
- Self-Insured Employers
- ACOs/OSCs
- Medicare/Medicaid



## Life Sciences

- Branded Pharmaceuticals
- 250 Launches
- Specialty Pharmaceuticals/  
Biologics



## Technology Vendors

- EHRs
- Connectivity Companies
- Content Companies
- Workflow Enhancements



## Government

- Federal (ONC, CMS, NLM, DoD)
- State
- Public-Private Partnerships



## Pharmacies

- Retail
- Mail Service
- Specialty
- In-Office Dispensing



## Integrated Delivery Networks



## Providers

- Associations
- Large Group Practices

**POCP has been helping clients succeed in the health IT world for over 20 years**

# RRC Subscription Solutions



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Veterinary Medicine



LTPAC State Navigator



# RRC Solutions

## Streamlined Monitoring, Tracking, and Reporting:

### Access Point-of-Care Partners' Subscription Solutions via our intuitive, easy-to-navigate portal:

- **ePrescribing (eRX) State Law Review** - ePrescribing guidance and policy intelligence that spans federal and state policies on ongoing and emerging trends including:
  - eRX mandates, prescription transmission protocols, rules for controlled substances, prescription content details along with exceptions and exemptions
  - Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP) requirements, enforcement measures, penalties, and other key insights
  - Telehealth ePrescribing guidelines, Controlled substance restrictions, State-prescribing licensure requirements, Patient/Provider relationship requirements and Technology allowed (video required or audio-only allowed)
- **eRX Add-On Solutions Include:**
  - **Veterinary Medicine** – Offers valuable knowledge on federal and policy stipulations concerning veterinary prescribing, including EPCS mandates or exemptions, PDMP registration and submission rules, telemedicine allowances, compounding limitations, and more.
  - **LTPAC State Navigator** - Comprehensive coverage of federal and state regulations tailored to long-term post-acute care prescribing. Features include prescribing protocols, administration guidelines, monitoring procedures, documentation requirements, updates on drug formularies pertinent to LTPAC facilities, and practices for monitoring and reporting controlled substance prescribing and dispensing.

## **Consultancy**

*2 hours included with each subscription*

# Interoperability Outlook

POCP's premier intelligence solutions is the *Interoperability Outlook*

- **Ongoing updates, insights, and analysis** related to healthcare interoperability, including curated news on the latest developments, trends, and regulations. This encompasses advancements in standards, interoperability initiatives, and government policies
- **Analysis and interpretation** of current and upcoming interoperability regulations and mandates, such as those from government agencies like CMS and ONC
- **Information and guidance** on interoperability standards, such as HL7, FHIR, CCD/CCDA, CDA, and the associated HL7 Accelerators, NCPDP, X12
- **Identification and analysis** of common interoperability challenges and barriers, along with strategies, tools, and approaches to overcome them, facilitating successful data sharing and collaboration

The image shows the cover of the 'Interoperability Outlook' report for March 2023. The cover has a white background with a network diagram of nodes and lines in the top and bottom corners. In the center, there is a red icon of a cloud with a circuit board inside. Below the icon, the text 'Interoperability Outlook' is written in a bold, black font. At the bottom, a red banner contains the text 'March 2023 QUARTERLY UPDATE' in white. To the right of the cover, a portion of the report's content is visible, showing a navigation menu with 'Policy and Regulation' selected, and several sections of text including 'Prior Authorization', 'PARDD API', 'DENIAL', 'PARDD API TIMEFRAMES', and 'PARDD API METRICS'.





























# Prior Authorization Navigator

*Keep abreast of federal and state policies for medical and prescription prior authorizations*

Features include:

- Proposed and active policies for Medical and Prescription Prior Authorization with citations
- Insights on proposed or required technical standards (NCPDP, HL7 FHIR, X12)
- Approval timeframes
- Required standardized form(s)
- Fax permissibility or prohibition

## State Summary (Washington)

<input type="checkbox"/> PriorAuth-Prescription Electronic  <span style="float: right;"> Citations</span>	Value	Last Update Note	Date
ePA Legislative Status 	Enacted		05/15/2023
ePA Regulations / Rules Status 			
ePA Effective Date 	01/01/2027 11/1/2019	Must establish and maintain an interoperable electronic process or application programming interface for in-network providers	05/15/2023
ePA Transaction-Prescription Mandate 	Required Allowed		05/15/2023
ePA Transaction Standard 	Not defined		05/15/2023
ePA Impacted Parties 	<h3>State Summary (Washington)</h3> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> PriorAuth-Prescription Proposed  <span style="float: right;"> Citations</span></li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> PriorAuth-Prescription Standard Forms <span style="float: right;"> Citations</span></li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> PriorAuth-Prescription Electronic  <span style="float: right;"> Citations</span></li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> PriorAuth-Medical Proposed  <span style="float: right;"> Citations</span></li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> PriorAuth-Medical Standard Forms <span style="float: right;"> Citations</span></li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> PriorAuth-Medical Electronic  <span style="float: right;"> Citations</span></li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> PriorAuth Leg/Reg History - Prescription  <span style="float: right;"> Citations</span></li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> PriorAuth Leg/Reg History - Medical  <span style="float: right;"> Citations</span></li> </ul>		
ePA HealthPlan/PBM/UM Mandated 			
ePA Provider Use Mandated 			
ePA NonUrgent Turnaround 			
ePA Urgent TurnAround 			
ePA Type 			
ePA Medical Payer Use for Covered Drugs 			

# ePrescribing State Law Review (eRX)

Updated quarterly with intermittent alerts for urgent changes, the Law Review covers ePrescribing policies for the 50 states, Washington, D.C. and US Territories

In-depth, real-time analysis of federal, local, and state Board of Pharmacy (BOP) policies related to ePrescribing including but not limited to:

- Local fax and print prescription requirements
- Mid-level provider rules for legend and controlled substance prescriptions
- Biosimilars interchangeability
- Controlled substance schedule variances for states
- Quick reference compliance tables - software programming
- A detailed backup of policy history
- System approval guidelines —addresses, URLs and BOP executive contact information
- State-level telehealth ePrescribing guidelines on:
  - Controlled substance restrictions
  - State-prescribing licensure requirements
  - Patient/Provider relationship requirements
  - Technology allowed (video required or audio-only allowed)

**Overview**

This grid is intended to be a quick reference guide for state specific rules regarding ePrescribing. Its content is structured so that there are a limited number of valid responses for each field, so that users can rely on a consistent, predictable format. The grid includes business rules only, and is a digested version of the actual regulations. Back-up documentation including specific regulations and communications from state boards can be found in the full text version of the ePrescribing State Law Review An Analysis of US Rules, Regulations & Statutes. The most recent updates on each screen are indicated in red type.

**Rules by State**

Alabama	Georgia <b>i</b>	Maryland <b>i</b>	New Mexico <b>i</b>	South Dakota
Alaska <b>i</b>	Guam	Massachusetts <b>i</b>	New York	Tennessee
Arizona <b>i</b>	Hawaii	Michigan	North Carolina	Texas <b>i</b>
		Minnesota <b>i</b>	North Dakota	Utah <b>i</b>
		Mississippi <b>i</b>	Ohio <b>i</b>	Vermont
		Missouri <b>i</b>	Oklahoma <b>i</b>	Virgin Islands (US)
		Montana <b>i</b>	Oregon	Virginia <b>i</b>
		Nebraska	Pennsylvania	Washington <b>i</b>
		Nevada	Puerto Rico	West Virginia <b>i</b>
		New Hampshire <b>i</b>	Rhode Island	Wisconsin
		New Jersey <b>i</b>	South Carolina	Wyoming

**State Summary (Arizona)**

Expand All Newsletter Citations

+ Rx Format Rules	Citations
+ Rx Delivery Rules	Citations
+ Midlevel Prescribing <b>i</b>	Citations
+ CS Limits	Citations
+ PDMP	Citations
+ Telemedicine	Citations

# Pharmacist Advanced Practice

*Insights into policies shaping the evolving role of pharmacists, covering areas like Scope of Practice, Collaborative Practice Agreements, and Prescriptive Authority*

## Features Include:

- **Provider Status:** Medicaid eligibility of pharmacists for billing purposes
- **Vaccinations:** Types of vaccinations permissible to be prescribed by pharmacists
- **Collaborative Practice Regulations:** Permissibility of pharmacists to order or prescribe drugs, conduct Medication Therapy Management (MTM), and order laboratory tests
- **Protocol or Standard Orders:** Which drugs pharmacists can prescribe under protocol or other standard orders, categorized by drug type

State Summary (Arizona)			
Pharmacist Prescribing	Citations	Value	Last Update Note
Provider Status	?		
Special Certification Required?	?	Yes	
Collaborative Practice Agreement	?	Yes	
Drugs Permitted:	?		
Vaccines	?	Yes	3 years and older- influenza vaccine 6 years and older for other vaccines 18 years and older for travel vaccines
Contraceptives	?	Yes	Self-administered hormonal contraceptives, 18 years or older
Other Drugs Permitted by Protocol or Standing Drug Order	?	Tobacco cessation drug therapies Oral Fluoride varnish Naloxone	
MTM Orders	?	Yes	Per collaborative practice agreement
Laboratory Tests	?	Yes	Per collaborative practice agreement



# RRC Solutions

## CONSULTATIVE EXPERTISE

Our team can **help you quickly uncover answers** to your most pressing policy questions.

Our POCP experts have a **unique view and understanding of Federal and State policy** with expertise in a multitude of interoperability areas, including but not limited to:

- Data and cost transparency
- Medical and prescription benefit prior authorization
- Real-time prescription benefit
- Standards and Accelerator leadership and development
- Other CMS, ONC, DEA, FTC and HHS division policies

Our seasoned policy consultants:

- possess the specialized skill to evaluate both state and federal policies, **offering a comprehensive outlook**
- **provide unbiased, informed analysis and recommendations** on impacts and changes needed to systems and processes
- **have real-world experience in creating strategies** and advisement to address policies of interest or risk to various stakeholders

# Veterinary Medicine

Stay up to date on specific policies related to Veterinarian ePrescribing

Comprehensive state-by-state data related to Veterinarian ePrescribing policies:

- Requirements for:
  - Electronic Prescribing of Controlled Substances (EPCS)
  - Prescription Drug Monitoring Programs (PDMP)
  - Telemedicine practices
  - Restrictions on drug compounding

## State Summary (California)

Veterinary Medicine	Citations	Value	Last Update Note	Date
EPCS	?	Exempt		12/02/2022
PDMP	?	Register, Submit, Query	Submit information required as soon as possible but no less than 7 days.	
Electronic Data Intermediary	?			
PIMS Fail to Fax - CS				
PIMS Fail to Fax - nonCS				
Special eRx Rules for Selected Drugs				
Telemedicine permitted?		Yes		
Telemed VCPR Relationship	?	Yes	Exceptions	
Rx to Client	?	Yes	Can't charge for written prescription	
Compound Rx Restrictions	?	Yes	No limit on quantity	







# Long-Term Post-Acute Care (LTPAC)

*Comprehensive coverage of federal and state regulations tailored to LTPAC prescribing*

Features include:

- Prescribing protocols
- Administration guidelines
- Monitoring procedures
- Documentation requirements
- Updated LTPAC-relevant drug formularies
- Controlled substance monitoring and reporting practices

## State Summary (Arkansas)

Rx Delivery Rules 	Citations 	LTPAC Value	LTPAC Last Update Notes	LTPAC Date
State approval required for prescriber system		-		
Print CII with original hand signature		-		
EDI CII		Fax allowed for LTC patient		06/05/2023
EDI CIII-V		-		
eFax Non-CS		-		
EDI Non-CS		-		
Notes and Exceptions		-	Telephone orders are acceptable; must be electronically signed when MD rounds at the facility	

## LTPAC Exceptions and Exemptions Report

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State	LawRev EPCS CII	LawRev EPCS CIII-V	LawRev eRx non-CS	LTPAC EPCS CII	LTPAC EPCS CIII-V	LTPAC eRx non-CS	LawRev PDMP Reporting	LawRev PDMP Prescriber Query	LawRev PDMP Dispenser Query	LTPAC PDMP Reporting Difference	LTPAC PDMP Prescriber Query Difference	LTPAC PDMP Dispenser Query Difference
<b>Federal</b>	<b>Mandatory for Part D, as of 1/1/2021</b>	<b>Mandatory for Part D, as of 1/1/2021</b>	<b>NA</b>	<b>Mandatory</b>	<b>Mandatory</b>		<b>NA</b>	<b>Required for CII-Medicaid patients</b>	<b>NA</b>		<b>Exempted for residents in LTC</b>	
AK	Allowed	Allowed	Allowed	-	-	-	Schedule 2,3,4	Yes, all C-II and C-III controlled substances	No mandate	Exempt	Exempt	-
AL	Allowed	Allowed	Allowed	Fax Permitted	Fax Permitted	-	Schedule 2,3,4,5	Yes, opioids; benzodiazepines	No mandate	Exempt	-	-
AR	Mandatory	Mandatory	Allowed	-	-	-	Schedule 2,3,4,5	Yes, opioid II, III and benzos	No mandate	-	Exempt	-
AZ	Mandatory, Opioids	Allowed	Allowed	Exempt	Exempt	-	Schedule 2,3,4,5	Yes, opioid II, III and benzodiazepines	All schedule II controlled substances	Exempt	Exempt	-
CA	Mandatory	Mandatory	Mandatory	Mandatory	Mandatory	-	Schedule 2,3,4,5	Yes	No mandate	-	-	-