
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

- 1 SECTION 1. The purpose of this bill is to amend chapter
2 329, Hawaii Revised Statutes, by:
- 3 (1) Adding and amending definitions to section 329-1,
4 Hawaii Revised Statutes, to be consistent with federal
5 law;
- 6 (2) Establishing central fill pharmacies;
- 7 (3) Clarifying the circumstances under which narcotics may
8 be used;
- 9 (4) Clarifying the requirements of a controlled substance
10 prescription;
- 11 (5) Clarifying the conditions for the transmittal of
12 prescriptions [~~via~~] by facsimile equipment;
- 13 (6) Adding new violations of prohibited acts; and
- 14 (7) Allowing the sharing of controlled substances
15 prescription information with other governmental
16 agencies.



1 SECTION 2. Section 329-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by adding eight new definitions to be appropriately
3 inserted and to read as follows:

4 "Address" means, with respect to prescriptions, the
5 physical location where an individual resides such as:

6 (1) Street address, city and state;

7 (2) Tax map key number; or

8 (3) The description of a physical location.

9 "Central fill pharmacy" means a pharmacy located in the
10 State which is registered pursuant to section 329-32 to prepare
11 controlled substance orders for dispensing to the ultimate user
12 a valid prescription transmitted to it by a registered pharmacy.

13 A central fill pharmacies shall be deemed authorized to fill
14 prescriptions on behalf of a pharmacy only if the pharmacy and
15 the central fill pharmacy have a contractual relationship
16 providing for these activities or share a common owner.

17 "Detoxification treatment" means the dispensing, for a
18 specific period of time, of a narcotic drug in decreasing doses
19 to an individual to alleviate adverse physiological or
20 psychological effects incident to withdrawal from the continuous
21 or sustained used of a narcotic drug and as a method of bringing



1 the individual to a narcotic drug-free state within a specified
2 period of time. For the purposes of this section:

3 (1) Short-term detoxification treatment means a period not
4 more than 30 days;

5 (2) Long-term detoxification treatment means a period of
6 more than 30 days but not more than 180 days.

7 "Maintenance treatment" means the dispensing for a period in
8 excess of twenty days, of a narcotic drug or narcotic drugs in
9 the treatment of an individual for dependence on heroin or other
10 morphine-like drug.

11 "Pharmacist" means a person who is licensed or holds a
12 permit under chapter 461 to practice pharmacy, including a
13 pharmacy intern who is under the immediate and direct
14 supervision of a licensed pharmacist.

15 "Prescribe" means to direct, designate, or order the use of
16 a formula for the preparation of a drug and medicine for a
17 disease or illness and the manner of using them.

18 "Prescriber" means one who is authorized to issue a
19 prescription.

20 "Prescription" means an order or formula issued by a
21 licensed practitioner of medicine, osteopathy, podiatry,



1 dentistry, or veterinary medicine, for the compounding or
2 dispensing of drugs."

3 SECTION 3. Section 329-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
4 amended by amending the definitions of "identification number"
5 and "practitioner" to read as follows:

6 "Identification number" means, with respect to a patient:

7 (1) The unique~~[7]~~ number on the valid driver's license
8 number or state identification card issued to ~~[of]~~ the
9 patient, followed by ~~[the two digit United States~~
10 ~~Postal Service code]~~ the abbreviation for the state
11 issuing the driver's license ~~[or, if the patient is a~~
12 ~~foreign patient, the patient's passport number. If~~
13 ~~the patient does not have a driver's license, the~~
14 ~~"identification number" means the patient's social~~
15 ~~security number, followed by the patient's state of~~
16 ~~residency code. If the patient is less than eighteen~~
17 ~~years old and has no such identification, the~~
18 ~~identification number means the unique number~~
19 ~~contained on the valid driver's license of the~~
20 ~~patient's parent or guardian, or]~~ or identification
21 card;

1 (2) If the patient is a foreign patient, the patient's
2 passport number;

3 (3) If the patient does not have a valid driver's license
4 or state identification card, the patient's social
5 security number, followed by the patient's state
6 abbreviation;

7 (4) If the patient is less than eighteen years of age and
8 has none of the identification in paragraphs (1), (2),
9 or (3) of this section, the unique number on the valid
10 driver's license, state identification card, or
11 passport of the patient's parent on guardian; or

12 ~~[(2)]~~ (5) If the controlled substance is obtained for an
13 animal, the unique number of the animal's owner as
14 described in ~~[paragraph]~~ paragraphs ~~[(1)]~~ (1), (2), or
15 (3) of ~~[the animal's owner.]~~ of this section.

16 "Practitioner" means:

17 (1) A physician, dentist, veterinarian, scientific
18 investigator, or other person licensed and registered
19 under section 329-32 to distribute, dispense, or
20 conduct research with respect to a controlled
21 substance in the course of professional practice or
22 research in this State ~~[-]~~; and

1 (2) A pharmacy, hospital, or other institution licensed,
2 registered, or otherwise permitted to distribute,
3 dispense, conduct research with respect to or to
4 administer a controlled substance in the course of
5 professional practice or research in this State.

6 ~~[(3) Prescribe means: to direct, designate or order the use~~
7 ~~of a formula for the preparation of a drug and~~
8 ~~medicine for a disease or illness and the manner of~~
9 ~~using them.~~

10 ~~(4) Prescriber means: one who is authorized to issue a~~
11 ~~prescription.~~

12 ~~(5) Prescription means: an order or formula issued by a~~
13 ~~licensed practitioner of medicine, osteopathy,~~
14 ~~podiatry, dentistry, or veterinary medicine, for the~~
15 ~~compounding or dispensing of drugs.] "~~

16 SECTION 4. Section 329-38, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
17 amended to read as follows:

18 "**§329-38 Prescriptions.** (a) No controlled substance in
19 schedule II may be dispensed without a written prescription of a
20 practitioner, except:

21 (1) In the case of an emergency situation, a pharmacist
22 may dispense a controlled substance listed in schedule



1 II upon receiving oral authorization from a
2 prescribing practitioner; provided that:

3 (A) The quantity prescribed and dispensed is limited
4 to the amount adequate to treat the patient
5 during the emergency period (dispensing beyond
6 the emergency period must be pursuant to a
7 written prescription signed by the prescribing
8 practitioner);

9 (B) If the prescribing practitioner is not known to
10 the pharmacist, the pharmacist shall make a
11 reasonable effort to determine that the oral
12 authorization came from a registered
13 practitioner, which may include a callback to the
14 prescribing practitioner using the phone number
15 in the telephone directory or other good faith
16 efforts to identify the prescriber; and

17 [-(B)] (C) Within [~~seventy two hours~~] seven days after
18 authorizing an emergency oral prescription, the
19 prescribing practitioner shall cause a written
20 prescription for the emergency quantity
21 prescribed to be delivered to the dispensing
22 pharmacist. In addition to conforming to the

1 requirements of this subsection, the prescription
2 shall have written on its face "Authorization for
3 Emergency Dispensing". The written prescription
4 may be delivered to the pharmacist in person or
5 by mail, and if by mail, the prescription must be
6 postmarked within the [~~seventy-two hour~~] seven-
7 day period. Upon receipt, the dispensing
8 pharmacist shall attach this prescription to the
9 oral emergency prescription, which had earlier
10 been reduced to writing. The pharmacist shall
11 notify the administrator if the prescribing
12 practitioner fails to deliver a written
13 prescription to the pharmacy within the allotted
14 time. Failure of the pharmacist to do so shall
15 void the authority conferred by this paragraph to
16 dispense without a written prescription of a
17 prescribing individual practitioner. Any
18 [~~physician~~] practitioner who fails to deliver a
19 written prescription within the [~~seventy-two~~
20 ~~hour~~] seven-day period shall be in violation of
21 section 329-41(a)(1); or

- 1 (2) When dispensed directly by a practitioner, other than
2 a pharmacist, to the ultimate user. The practitioner
3 in dispensing a controlled substance in schedule II
4 shall affix to the package a label showing:
- 5 (A) The date of dispensing;
- 6 (B) The name, strength, and quantity [~~issued~~] of the
7 drug dispensed;
- 8 (C) The dispensing practitioner's name and address;
- 9 (D) The name of the patient;
- 10 ~~[(E) The date the potency of the drug expires if that~~
11 ~~date is available from the manufacturer or~~
12 ~~principal labeler; and]~~
- 13 (E) The "use by" date for the drug, which shall be:
- 14 (i) The expiration date on the manufacturer's or
15 principal labeler's container; or
- 16 (ii) One year from the date the drug is
17 dispensed, whichever is earlier; and
- 18 (F) Directions for use, and cautionary statements, if
19 any, contained in the prescription or as required
20 by law.
- 21 A complete and accurate record of all schedule II
22 controlled substances ordered, administered,



1 prescribed, and dispensed shall be maintained for five
2 years. Prescriptions and records of dispensing shall
3 otherwise be retained in conformance with the
4 requirements of section 329-36. No prescription for a
5 controlled substance in schedule II may be refilled.

6 (b) Nothing in this section shall authorize a central fill
7 pharmacy to prepare prescriptions for a controlled substance
8 listed in Schedule II.

9 (c) A Schedule II controlled substance prescription shall:

10 (1) be filled within three days following the date the
11 prescription was issued to the patient; and

12 (2) Be supplied to a patient only if the prescription has
13 been filled and held by the pharmacy for no more than
14 seven days.

15 ~~[(b)]~~ (d) The transfer of original prescription
16 information for a controlled substance listed in schedule III,
17 IV, or V for the purpose of refill dispensing is permissible
18 between pharmacies on a one time basis, subject to the following
19 requirements:

20 (1) The transfer shall be communicated directly between
21 two licensed pharmacists, and the transferring
22 pharmacist shall:



- 1 (A) Write or otherwise place the word "VOID" on the
2 face of the invalidated prescription;
- 3 (B) Record on the reverse of the invalidated
4 prescription the name, address, and DEA
5 registration number of the pharmacy to which it
6 was transferred and the name of the pharmacist
7 receiving the prescription information; and
- 8 (C) Record the date of the transfer and the name of
9 the pharmacist transferring the information;
- 10 (2) The pharmacist receiving the transferred prescription
11 information shall:
- 12 (A) Write or otherwise place the word "transfer" on
13 the face of the transferred prescription;
- 14 (B) Record all information required to be on a
15 prescription, including:
- 16 (i) The date of issuance of original
17 prescription;
- 18 (ii) The original number of refills authorized on
19 original prescription;
- 20 (iii) The date of original dispensing;
- 21 (iv) The number of valid refills remaining and
22 date of last refill;

1 (v) The pharmacy's name, address, DEA
2 registration number, and original
3 prescription number from which the
4 prescription information was transferred;
5 and

6 (vi) The name of transferor pharmacist;

7 (3) Both the original and transferred prescription must be
8 maintained for a period of five years from the date of
9 last refill; ~~and~~

10 (4) The procedure allowing the transfer of prescription
11 information for refill purposes is permissible only
12 between pharmacies located on the same island in this
13 State[-]; and

14 (5) Any pharmacy electronically accessing a prescription
15 record shall satisfy all information requirements of a
16 manual mode prescription transferal.

17 Failure to comply with this subsection shall void the
18 authority of the pharmacy to transfer prescriptions or receive a
19 transferred prescription to or from another pharmacy.

20 (e) A pharmacy and an authorized central fill pharmacy may
21 share information for initial and refill prescriptions of

1 schedule III, IV or V controlled substances. The following
2 requirements shall apply:

3 (1) A pharmacy may electronically transmit, including by
4 facsimile, prescriptions for controlled substances
5 listed in schedule III, IV or V to a central fill
6 pharmacy. The pharmacy transmitting the prescription
7 information shall:

8 (A) Ensure that all information required to be on a
9 prescription pursuant to subsection (f) is
10 transmitted to the central fill pharmacy either
11 on the face of the prescription or
12 electronically; and

13 (B) Keep a record of receipt of the filled
14 prescription, including the date of receipt, the
15 method of delivery (private, common or contract
16 carrier) and the identity of the pharmacy
17 employee accepting delivery.

18 (2) The central fill pharmacy receiving the transmitted
19 prescription must:

20 (A) Keep for five years a copy of a prescription
21 received by facsimile and an electronic record of
22 all the information transmitted by the pharmacy,



1 including the name, address, and DEA registration
2 number of the pharmacy transmitting the
3 prescription;

4 (B) Keep a record of the date of receipt of the
5 transmitted prescription, the name of the
6 licensed pharmacists filling the prescription,
7 and the dates the prescription was filled or is
8 to be refilled; and

9 (C) Keep a record of the date the filled prescription
10 was shipped to the pharmacy.

11 ~~[(e)]~~ (f) No controlled substance in schedule III, IV, or
12 V may be dispensed without a ~~[written]~~ written, facsimile of a
13 written, or oral prescription of a practitioner, except when a
14 controlled substance is dispensed directly by a practitioner,
15 other than a pharmacist, to an ultimate user. The practitioner,
16 in dispensing a controlled substance in schedule III, IV, or V,
17 shall affix to the package a label showing:

- 18 (1) The date of dispensing;
19 (2) The name, strength, and quantity issued of the drug;
20 (3) The dispensing practitioner's name and business
21 address;
22 (4) The name of the patient;

- 1 ~~[(5) [The date the potency of the drug expires, if that~~
2 ~~date is available from the manufacturer or the~~
3 ~~principal labeler,]~~
- 4 (5) The "use by" date for the drug, which shall be:
- 5 (A) The expiration date on the manufacturer's or
6 principal labeler's container; or
- 7 (B) One year from the date the drug is dispensed,
8 whichever is earlier;
- 9 (6) Directions for use; and
- 10 (7) Cautionary statements, if any, contained in the
11 prescription or as required by law.
- 12 A complete and accurate record of all schedule III, IV, and V
13 controlled substances administered, prescribed, and dispensed
14 shall be maintained for five years. Prescriptions and records
15 of dispensing shall be retained in conformance with the
16 requirements of section 329-36 unless otherwise provided by law.
17 Prescriptions may not be filled or refilled more than three
18 months after the date of the prescription or be refilled more
19 than two times after the date of the prescription, unless the
20 prescription is renewed by the practitioner.
- 21 ~~[(d)]~~ (g) The effectiveness of a prescription for the
22 purposes of this section shall be determined as follows:

- 1 (1) A prescription for a controlled substance shall be
2 issued for a legitimate medical purpose by an
3 individual practitioner acting in the usual course of
4 the practitioner's professional practice. The
5 responsibility for the proper prescribing and
6 dispensing of controlled substances shall be upon the
7 prescribing practitioner, but a corresponding
8 responsibility shall rest with the pharmacist who
9 fills the prescription. An order purporting to be a
10 prescription issued not in the usual course of
11 professional treatment or for legitimate and
12 authorized research shall not be deemed a prescription
13 within the meaning and intent of this section, and the
14 person who knowingly fills such a purported
15 prescription, as well as the person who issues the
16 prescription, shall be subject to the penalties
17 provided for violations of this chapter;
- 18 (2) A prescription may not be issued to allow an
19 individual practitioner to obtain controlled
20 substances for supplying the individual practitioner
21 for the purpose of general dispensing to patients;

1 (3) A prescription may not be issued for the dispensing of
2 narcotic drugs listed in any schedule for the purpose
3 of "detoxification treatment" or "maintenance
4 treatment" [~~Nothing in this section shall prohibit a
5 physician or authorized hospital staff from
6 administering or dispensing narcotic drugs in a
7 hospital to maintain or detoxify a person as an
8 incidental adjunct to medical or surgical treatment of
9 conditions other than addiction; and] except as
10 follows:~~

11 (A) The administering or dispensing directly, but not
12 prescribing, of narcotic drugs listed in any
13 schedule to a narcotic drug-dependent person for
14 "detoxification treatment" or "maintenance
15 treatment" shall be deemed to be "in the course
16 of a practitioner's professional practice or
17 research" so long as the practitioner is
18 registered separately with the department and the
19 federal Drug Enforcement Agency as required by
20 section 329-32(e) and complies with Title 21 Code
21 of Federal Regulations section 823(g) and any
22 other federal or state regulatory standards

1 relating to treatment qualification, security,
 2 records, and unsupervised use of drugs; and
 3 (B) Nothing in this section shall prohibit a
 4 physician or authorized hospital staff from
 5 administering or dispensing, but not prescribing,
 6 narcotic drugs in a hospital to maintain or
 7 detoxify a person as an incidental adjunct to
 8 medical or surgical treatment of conditions other
 9 than addiction.

10 (4) An individual practitioner [~~may~~] shall not prescribe
 11 or dispense a substance included in schedule II, III,
 12 IV, or V for that individual practitioner's personal
 13 use, except in a medical emergency[~~-~~]; and

14 (5) A pharmacist shall not dispense a substance included
 15 in schedule II, III, IV, or V for the pharmacist's
 16 personal use.

17 [~~e~~] (h) Prescriptions for controlled substances shall be
 18 issued only as follows:

19 (1) All prescriptions for controlled substances shall
 20 originate from within the State and be dated as of,
 21 and signed on, the day when the prescriptions were
 22 issued and shall [~~bear~~] contain:

1 (A) The [~~full~~] first and last name and address of the
2 patient; and

3 [~~(B) The name, address, telephone number, and~~
4 ~~registration number of the practitioner.~~]

5 (B) The drug name, strength, dosage form, quantity
6 prescribed, and directions for use. Where a
7 prescription is for gamma hydroxybutyric acid,
8 methadone, or buprenorphine, the practitioner
9 shall record the medical need of the patient for
10 the prescription.

11 The controlled substance prescriptions shall be no
12 larger than [~~four~~] eight and one-half inches by [~~six~~
13 ~~and one-half~~] eleven inches and no smaller than [~~four~~]
14 three inches by [~~five~~] four inches.

15 A practitioner may sign a prescription in the same
16 manner as the practitioner would sign a check or legal
17 document (e.g., J.H. Smith or John H. Smith) and shall
18 use both words and figures (e.g., alphabetically and
19 numerically as indications of quantity, such as five
20 (5)), to indicate the amount of controlled substance
21 to be dispensed. Where an oral order is not
22 permitted, prescriptions shall be written with ink or

1 indelible pencil or [~~by typewriter~~] typed, [and] shall
2 be manually signed by the practitioner[~~-~~], and shall
3 include the name, address, telephone number, and
4 registration number of the practitioner. The
5 prescriptions may be prepared by a secretary or agent
6 for the signature of the practitioner, but the
7 prescribing practitioner shall be responsible in case
8 the prescription does not conform in all essential
9 respects to this chapter and any rules adopted
10 pursuant to this chapter. A corresponding liability
11 shall rest upon a pharmacist who fills a prescription
12 not prepared in the form prescribed by this
13 section[~~-~~]. A pharmacist may add a patient's missing
14 address or change a patient's address on all
15 controlled substance prescriptions after verifying the
16 patient's identification and noting the identification
17 number on the back of the prescription. The
18 pharmacist shall not make changes to the patient's
19 name, the controlled substance being prescribed, the
20 quantity of the prescription, the practitioner's DEA
21 number, or the practitioner's signature.

1 (2) An intern, resident, or foreign-trained physician, or
2 a physician on the staff of a Department of Veterans
3 Affairs facility or other facility serving veterans,
4 exempted from registration under this chapter, shall
5 include on all prescriptions issued by the physician:

6 (A) The registration number of the hospital or other
7 institution; and

8 (B) The special internal code number assigned to the
9 physician by the hospital or other institution in
10 lieu of the registration number of the
11 practitioner required by this section.

12 The hospital or other institution shall forward a copy
13 of this special internal code number list to the
14 department as often as necessary to update the
15 department with any additions or deletions. Failure
16 to comply with this paragraph shall result in the
17 suspension of that facility's privilege to fill
18 controlled substance prescriptions at pharmacies
19 outside of the hospital or other institution. Each
20 written prescription shall have the name of the
21 physician stamped, typed, or hand-printed on it, as
22 well as the signature of the physician;



1 (3) An official exempted from registration shall include
2 on all prescriptions issued by the official:

3 (A) The official's branch of service or agency (e.g.,
4 "U.S. Army" or "Public Health Service"); and

5 (B) The official's service identification number, in
6 lieu of the registration number of the
7 practitioner required by this section. The
8 service identification number for a Public Health
9 Service employee shall be the employee's social
10 security identification number.

11 Each prescription shall have the name of the officer
12 stamped, typed, or handprinted on it, as well as the
13 signature of the officer; and

14 (4) A physician assistant registered to prescribe
15 controlled substances under the authorization of a
16 supervising physician shall include on all controlled
17 substance prescriptions issued:

18 (A) The DEA registration number of the supervising
19 physician; and

20 (B) The DEA registration number of the physician
21 assistant.



1 Each written controlled substance prescription issued
2 shall include the printed, stamped, typed, or hand-
3 printed name, address, and phone number of both the
4 supervising physician and physician assistant, and
5 shall be signed by the physician assistant. The
6 medical record of each written controlled substance
7 prescription issued by a physician assistant shall be
8 reviewed and initialed by the physician assistant's
9 supervising physician within seven working days.

10 [~~f~~] (i) A prescription for controlled substances may
11 only be filled by a pharmacist acting in the usual course of the
12 pharmacist's professional practice and either registered
13 individually or employed in a registered pharmacy, central fill
14 pharmacy, or registered institutional practitioner.

15 [~~g~~] (j) Partial filling of controlled substance
16 prescriptions shall be determined as follows:

- 17 (1) The partial filling of a prescription for a controlled
18 substance listed in schedule II is permissible if the
19 pharmacist is unable to supply the full quantity
20 called for in a written or emergency oral prescription
21 and the pharmacist makes a notation of the quantity
22 supplied on the face of the written prescription (or

1 written record of the emergency oral prescription).

2 The remaining portion of the prescription may be
3 filled within seventy-two hours of the first partial
4 filling; provided that if the remaining portion is not
5 or cannot be filled within the seventy-two-hour
6 period, the pharmacist shall notify the prescribing
7 individual practitioner. No further quantity shall be
8 supplied beyond seventy-two hours without a new
9 prescription;

10 (2) The partial filling of a prescription for a controlled
11 substance listed in schedule III, IV, or V is
12 permissible; provided that:

13 (A) Each partial filling is recorded in the same
14 manner as a refilling;

15 (B) The total quantity dispensed in all partial
16 fillings does not exceed the total quantity
17 prescribed;

18 (C) No dispensing occurs more than three months after
19 the date on which the prescription was issued;
20 and

21 (D) The prescription is refilled no more than two
22 times after the initial date of the prescription,



1 unless the prescription is renewed by the
2 practitioner; and
3 (3) A prescription for a schedule II controlled substance
4 written for a patient in a long-term care facility or
5 for a patient with a medical diagnosis documenting a
6 terminal illness may be filled in partial quantities
7 to include individual dosage units. If there is any
8 question whether a patient may be classified as having
9 a terminal illness, the pharmacist must contact the
10 practitioner prior to partially filling the
11 prescription. Both the pharmacist and the prescribing
12 practitioner have a corresponding responsibility to
13 assure that the controlled substance is for a
14 terminally ill patient. The pharmacist must record on
15 the prescription whether the patient is "terminally
16 ill" or a "long-term care facility patient". For the
17 purposes of this section, "TI" means terminally ill
18 and "LTCF" means long-term care facility. A
19 prescription that is partially filled and does not
20 contain the notation "TI" or "LTCF patient" shall be
21 deemed to have been filled in violation of this
22 section. For each partial filling, the dispensing

1 pharmacist shall record on the back of the
2 prescription (or on another appropriate record,
3 uniformly maintained, and readily retrievable) the
4 date of the partial filling, quantity dispensed,
5 remaining quantity authorized to be dispensed, and the
6 identification of the dispensing pharmacist. The
7 total quantity of schedule II controlled substances
8 dispensed in all partial fillings must not exceed the
9 total quantity prescribed, nor shall a prescription be
10 partially filled more than three times after the
11 initial date of the prescription. Schedule II
12 controlled substance prescriptions for patients in a
13 long-term care facility or patients with a medical
14 diagnosis documenting a terminal illness shall be
15 valid for a period not to exceed thirty days from the
16 issue date unless sooner terminated by the
17 discontinuance of medication.

18 [~~(h)~~] (k) A prescription for a schedule II controlled
19 substance may be transmitted by the practitioner or the
20 practitioner's agent to a pharmacy [~~via~~] by facsimile equipment;
21 provided that the original written, signed prescription is
22 presented to the pharmacist for review prior to the actual



1 dispensing of the controlled substance, except as noted in
2 subsection [~~(i), (j), or (k).~~] (l), (m), or (n). The original
3 prescription shall be maintained in accordance with section
4 329-36. A prescription for a schedule III, IV or V controlled
5 substance may be transmitted by the practitioner or the
6 practitioner's agent to a pharmacy by facsimile provided that:

- 7 (1) The information shall be communicated only between the
8 prescribing practitioner or the prescriber's
9 authorized agent and the pharmacy of the patient's
10 choice;
- 11 (2) The information shall be communicated in a
12 retrievable, recognizable format acceptable to the
13 intended recipient and shall include the physician's
14 oral code designation and the name of the recipient
15 pharmacy;
- 16 (3) No electronic system, software, or other intervening
17 mechanism or party shall alter the practitioner's
18 prescription, order entry, selection, or intended
19 selection without the practitioner's approval on a per
20 prescription per order basis. Facsimile prescription
21 information shall not be altered by any system,

1 software, or other intervening mechanism or party
2 prior to receipt by the intended pharmacy;

3 (4) The prescription information processing system shall
4 provide for confidentiality safeguards required by
5 federal or state law; and

6 (5) Prescribing practitioners and pharmacists shall
7 exercise prudent and professional judgment regarding
8 the accuracy, validity, and authenticity of any
9 facsimile prescription information. The facsimile
10 shall serve as the original written prescription for
11 purposes of this section and shall be maintained in
12 accordance with section 329-36.

13 ~~(i)~~ (1) A prescription prepared in accordance with
14 subsection ~~(e)~~ (h) written for a narcotic listed in schedule
15 II to be compounded for the direct administration to a patient
16 by parenteral, intravenous, intramuscular, subcutaneous, or
17 intraspinal infusion, but does not extend to the dispensing of
18 oral dosage units of controlled substances, may be transmitted
19 by the practitioner or the practitioner's agent to the pharmacy
20 by facsimile. The pharmacist shall note on the face of the
21 facsimile prescription in red ink "Home Infusion/IV" and this
22 facsimile shall serve as the original written prescription for



1 purposes of this section and it shall be maintained in
2 accordance with section 329-36.

3 ~~[(j)]~~ (m) A prescription prepared in accordance with
4 subsection ~~[(e)]~~ (h) written for a schedule II [~~III, IV, or V~~]
5 substance for a patient enrolled in a hospice care program
6 certified or paid for by medicare under Title XVIII or a hospice
7 program that is licensed by the State may be transmitted by the
8 practitioner or the practitioner's agent to the dispensing
9 pharmacy by facsimile. The practitioner or practitioner's agent
10 shall note on the prescription that the patient is a hospice
11 patient. The pharmacist shall note on the face of the facsimile
12 prescription in red ink "HOSPICE" and this facsimile shall serve
13 as the original written prescription for purposes of this
14 section and it shall be maintained in accordance with section
15 329-36.

16 ~~[(k)]~~ (n) A prescription prepared in accordance with
17 subsection ~~[(e)]~~ (h) written for a schedule II [~~III, IV, or V~~]
18 controlled substance for a resident of a state-licensed long-
19 term care facility may be transmitted by the practitioner or the
20 practitioner's agent to the dispensing pharmacy by facsimile.
21 The pharmacist shall note on the face of the facsimile
22 prescription in red ink "LTCF" and this facsimile shall serve as

1 the original written prescription for purposes of this section
2 and it shall be maintained in accordance with section 329-36."

3 SECTION 5. Section 329-41, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
4 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

5 "(a) It is unlawful for any person:

- 6 (1) Who is subject to part III to distribute, administer,
7 prescribe, or dispense a controlled substance in
8 violation of section 329-38; however, a licensed
9 manufacturer or wholesaler may sell or dispense a
10 controlled substance to a master of a transpacific
11 ship or a person in charge of a transpacific aircraft
12 upon which no physician is regularly employed, for the
13 actual medical needs of persons on board such ship or
14 aircraft when not in port; provided schedule I or II
15 controlled substances shall be sold to the master of
16 such ship or person in charge of such aircraft only in
17 accordance with the provisions set forth in 21 Code of
18 Federal Regulations, sections 1301, 1305, and 1307,
19 adopted pursuant to Title 21, United States Code,
20 section 821;
- 21 (2) Who is a registrant to manufacture a controlled
22 substance not authorized by the registrant's

- 1 registration or to distribute or dispense a controlled
2 substance not authorized by the registrant's
3 registration to another registrant or another
4 authorized person;
- 5 (3) To refuse or fail to make available, keep, or furnish
6 any record, notification, order form, prescription,
7 statement, invoice, or information in patient charts
8 relating to the administration, dispensing, or
9 prescribing of controlled substances;
- 10 (4) To refuse any lawful entry into any premises for any
11 inspection authorized by this chapter;
- 12 (5) Knowingly to keep or maintain any store, shop,
13 warehouse, dwelling, building, vehicle, boat,
14 aircraft, or other structure or place for the purpose
15 of using these substances or which is used for keeping
16 or selling them in violation of this chapter or
17 chapter 712, part IV; or
- 18 (6) Who is a practitioner or pharmacist to dispense a
19 controlled substance to any individual not known to
20 the practitioner or pharmacist, without first
21 obtaining proper identification and documenting, by
22 signature on a log book kept by the practitioner or

1 pharmacist, the identity of and the type of
 2 identification presented by the individual obtaining
 3 the controlled substance. If the individual does not
 4 have any form of proper identification, the pharmacist
 5 shall verify the validity of the prescription and
 6 identity of the patient with the prescriber, or their
 7 authorized agent, before dispensing the controlled
 8 substance. For the purpose of this section, "proper
 9 identification" means government-issued identification
 10 containing the photograph, printed name, and signature
 11 of the individual obtaining the controlled substance."

12 SECTION 6. Section 329-42, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
 13 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

14 "(a) It is unlawful for any person knowingly or
 15 intentionally:

- 16 (1) To distribute as a registrant a controlled substance
 17 classified in schedule I or II, except pursuant to an
 18 order form as required by section 329-37;
- 19 (2) To use in the course of the manufacture or
 20 distribution of a controlled substance a registration
 21 number that is fictitious, revoked, suspended, or
 22 issued to another person;

- 1 (3) To obtain or attempt to obtain any controlled
2 substance or procure or attempt to procure the
3 administration of any controlled substance:
- 4 (A) By fraud, deceit, misrepresentation,
5 embezzlement, theft;
- 6 (B) By the forgery or alteration of a prescription or
7 of any written order;
- 8 (C) By furnishing fraudulent medical information or
9 the concealment of a material fact; [e~~x~~]
- 10 (D) By the use of a false name, patient
11 identification number, or the giving of false
12 address;
- 13 (E) By the unauthorized use of a physician's oral
14 call-in number; or
- 15 (F) By the alteration of a prescription by the
16 addition of future refills.
- 17 (4) To furnish false or fraudulent material information
18 in, or omit any material information from, any
19 application, report, or other document required to be
20 kept or filed under this chapter, or any record
21 required to be kept by this chapter;

- 1 (5) To make, distribute, or possess any punch, die, plate,
2 stone, or other thing designed to print, imprint, or
3 reproduce the trademark, trade name, or other
4 identifying mark, imprint, or device of another or any
5 likeness of any of the foregoing upon any drug or
6 container or labeling thereof so as to render the drug
7 a counterfeit substance;
- 8 (6) To misapply or divert to the person's own use or other
9 unauthorized or illegal use or to take, make away
10 with, or secrete, with intent to misapply or divert to
11 the person's own use or other unauthorized or illegal
12 use, any controlled substance that shall have come
13 into the person's possession or under the person's
14 care as a registrant or as an employee of a registrant
15 who is authorized to possess controlled substances or
16 has access to controlled substances by virtue of the
17 person's employment; or
- 18 (7) To make, distribute, possess, or sell any prescription
19 form, whether blank, faxed, computer generated,
20 photocopied, or reproduced in any other manner without
21 the authorization of the licensed practitioner."

1 SECTION 7. Section 329-104, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by amending subsection (c) to read as follows:

3 "(c) This section shall not prevent the disclosure, at the
4 discretion of the administrator, of investigative information
5 to:

- 6 (1) Law enforcement officers, investigative agents of
7 federal, state, or county law enforcement agencies,
8 prosecuting attorneys, or the attorney general;
9 provided that the administrator has reasonable grounds
10 to believe that the disclosure of any information
11 collected under this part is in furtherance of an
12 ongoing criminal investigation or prosecution;
- 13 (2) Registrants authorized under chapters 448, 453, 460,
14 and 463E who are registered to administer, prescribe,
15 or dispense controlled substances; provided that the
16 information disclosed relates only to the registrant's
17 own patient; or
- 18 (3) Pharmacists, employed by a pharmacy registered under
19 section 329-32, who request prescription information
20 about a customer relating to a violation or possible
21 violation of this chapter[-]; and

1 (4) Other state authorized governmental prescription-
2 monitoring programs.

3 Information disclosed to a registrant, ~~[or]~~ pharmacist, or
4 authorized government agency under this section shall be
5 transmitted ~~[by certified mail or a similar means requiring the~~
6 ~~registrant's or pharmacist's signature, respectively, for~~
7 ~~delivery of the information.]~~ by a secure means determined by
8 the designated agency."

9 SECTION 8. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
10 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

11 SECTION 9. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Report Title:

Controlled Substances

Description:

Clarifies the requirements for emergency call-in Schedule II prescriptions, the use of facsimile and telephonic prescriptions, and the appropriate use of narcotics to treat addiction. Creates central fill pharmacies. Allows limited information sharing. Adds new definitions. (SD1)

