

EPCS FAQ's



WHAT IS EPCS?

- EPCS (Electronic Prescribing of Controlled Substances)
- Brand-new, stand-alone product from DrFirst
- Gives Rcopia users a *simple, secure, certified* and *affordable* way to send controlled-substance prescriptions electronically.

WHAT CAN BE PRESCRIBED THROUGH EPCS?

- Schedule II - V Drugs
- Individual State Laws drive which can be sent electronically

ARE THERE ANY OTHER MARKET SOLUTIONS TO EPCS?

Through our partnership with DrFirst, we are providing the only EPCS solution currently in the marketplace.

HOW WILL PROVIDERS KNOW ABOUT PHARMACIES THAT ARE PARTICIPATING IN THE EPCS PROGRAM?

There will be an indicator next to the pharmacy name if the pharmacy is certified to accept controlled substance prescriptions electronically. A prescriber will also be able to search the pharmacy list for pharmacies that are authorized to receive the prescriptions.

HOW WILL RENEWAL REQUESTS BE HANDLED?

Renewal requests will be handled the same as they are currently handled, as this functionality will remain in the current e-prescribing module.

CAN A PROVIDER AGENT SEND EPCS ON A PROVIDERS BEHALF?

No. The provider agent is allowed to queue up the controlled substance prescriptions, but only the authorized prescriber can electronically sign and submit the prescription.

WHAT IS THE AUDIT TRAIL FOR EPCS?

All events and activities completed in EPCS will be recorded including source type, signing events, Controlled Substance drug information, etc.

HOW DOES THE PRODUCT WORK?

EPCS Gold™ provides a separate, platform for Rcopia DrFirst providers to sign and forward EPCS prescriptions electronically through the Surescripts network. The product includes the following features:

- **PROVIDER AUTHENTICATION AND REGISTRATION**

The DEA requires TFAP (*Two-Factor Authentication Protocol*) for any provider who wants to send Controlled Substance prescriptions electronically. The provider authentication and registration feature takes the provider step-by-step through the Identity-proofing and authentication process.

- » Registration for the EPCS product
- » Provider authentication through third-party identity proofing process
- » Two-factor authentication token (keychain or electronic)

- **ADMINISTRATIVE CONSOLE**

The Administrative Console is a secure portal which consolidates the administrative functions for the EPCS Gold™ product. Through the portal, practice administrators, physicians and vendors can:

- » Register and manage EPCS access for prescribers
- » Access reporting features
- » Access Audit information

- **EPCS SIGNING MODULE**

The Signing Module will allow prescribers to electronically sign and submit the Controlled Substance prescription electronically. The signing module has the following features:

- » Display of DEA-mandated content
- » Two-factor authentication validation
- » Generate digital signature for the prescription at the application level
- » Transmit prescriptions in SCRIPT 8.1E format (Rcopia-Classic/MU clients only)
- » Receive and forward prescription transmission responses including status and error (Rcopia-Classic/MU clients only)
- » Logging of all application activity for audit purposes



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