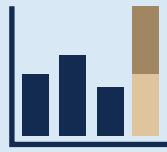


EPCS: Getting Started with Electronic Prescribing of Controlled Substances

Why EPCS? Addiction to prescription drugs and deaths from overdoses



Each day, 46 Americans die from an overdose of prescription painkillers



Drug overdoses are the leading cause of death among Americans under 50



40% of all U.S. opioid overdose deaths involve a prescription opioid

5.6 million



Each month, 5.6 million American adults use prescription drugs non-medically

Prescription Drug Monitoring Programs (PDMP) can make a difference.

States that have implemented a PDMP have realized meaningful impact on doctor shopping and overdose deaths.

In **New York** state

75%

decrease in doctor shopping

In **Florida**

50%

decrease in opioid deaths from oxycodone



How Can E-prescribing Help?

Using EPCS streamlines clinical workflows and provides critical security measures designed to help prescribers:



Use a Single Workflow
for prescribing all medications



Prevent Prescription Drug Abuse
by making it easy to spot overprescribing



Prevent "Doctor Shopping"
by making it easy to see a patient's controlled substance prescriptions from other providers



Prevent Prescription Fraud
by eliminating paper prescription pads that can be stolen, altered or forged

How to Get Started

1

Purchase a DEA-compliant e-prescribing solution that supports EPCS

2

Go through the identity-proofing process to acquire two-factor authentication tokens required to sign EPCS prescriptions

3

Bind your EPCS authentication token to your identity

4

Gain "access" to use your EHR or e-prescribing solution for EPCS (this is required by the DEA)

Remember...



You must bind your token once before signing an EPCS prescription



Have your personal financial details on hand during the identity proofing process or be ID proofed by your hospital's credentialing office



Always have more than one token—mobile app or key fob—so you have a backup if one gets lost or broken



Check your state's prescription drug monitoring program (PDMP) before prescribing controlled substances

It's easy to get started!

EPCS Gold enables you to breeze through identity proofing and two-factor authentication so you can seamlessly send electronic prescriptions for controlled substances to retail or mail order pharmacies within your existing prescribe workflow.