

New York State Prescription Forms

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See April "Attorney on Law" column from The New York State Dental Journal about this topic in Legal Articles in Members Only section of the NYSDA web site <<http://www.nysdental.org>>.

New York State has begun notifying all practitioners of newly adopted prescription regulations and directions for registration.

The main purpose of the regulations is to prevent prescription fraud and protect public health. The notification will provide information about the requirements for online registration. The act of registration will also permit practitioners to order the new official prescription forms. There is no charge for the printing of prescription forms.

Dentists that currently use NYS prescription forms for prescribing controlled substances may continue to use them. This will be the first group of dentists to receive the mailing.

There may be more than one doctor's name on a form, provided that they are practicing at the same address. Those dentists who practice at more than one address must choose a "primary" site for registration purposes. However, the State will automatically use the DEA registration address (for those registered with the DEA) as the "primary" site.

Each doctor will be required to register with the Department of Health no later than April 19, 2006. By April 19, 2006, all dentists who prescribe will be required to use the New York State forms.

Verbal and electronic prescriptions may continue to be transmitted as they are currently.

There will not be a fee for either the required registration or forms.