



**The Official New York State Prescription (ONYSRX)**

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- Legislation went into full effect April 19<sup>th</sup> 2006
  - No Stickers on the Rx
    - It invalidates the Rx – Order a stamp
  - Residents can use hospital blanks
    - Supervising physician should be conveyed to the pharmacy for billing purposes
      - No special method given – can be verbal.
      - It's suggested the supervising physician's name be written on the prescription.

**Other Changes**





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- White blanks can still be used through October BUT
  - Pharmacist is required to write your name down and report you to the Bureau of Narcotic Enforcement
  - Pharmacist is fined if a white blank is filled without reporting the prescriber

**Controlled Substances**

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- Quantity and refills must have both the number and word spelled out.
  - Example: Quantity #60 (sixty), Refills x5 (five)
- Pharmacist can fill if number or word is present (and you can tell them this) BUT...
  - Prescriber may be fined if both are not present

**Scenarios**

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- A resident comes to your office with a stack of blanks from the hospital. Is this okay? Should he use yours?
- You applied for an HPN account and ordered the ONYSRX paper for your EMR system on the phone. What comes in the mail?
- You printed out a prescription from your EMR on plain paper and faxed it to the pharmacy. They won't take it. Why?

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- You do rounds in the hospital and left your blanks in your office. Can you use the hospital blanks?
- You have admitting privileges with the hospital, which is exempt from the ONYSRX requirement. Do you have to use ONYSRX with your office patients?
- A Physician's Assistant sends an electronic prescription to the pharmacy fax. It's not accepted. Why?

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- MD has an electronic prescribing program. He creates an RX for Ambien and sends the electronic prescription to the pharmacy. Is that okay?
- MD has an electronic prescribing program. He creates an RX for Ambien. He prints it to new ONYSRX paper on his printer and sends it via the fax machine to the pharmacy. Is that okay?

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**Rx**

Tylenol #3  
#60  
1 tablet Q4 hours prn pain

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THIS PRESCRIPTION WILL BE FILLED GENERICALLY  
UNLESS PRESCRIBER WRITES 'd' or 'w' IN THE BOX BELOW

Refill 1 (one) times Dispense As Written