



Departmental Policy Title	Provider Self-Prescribing Policy - Retail and Specialty Pharmacy	Policy ID	1238
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Department	D-H Pharmacy (Home Delivery), D-H Pharmacy at Centerra, Cheshire Medical Center Pharmacy, and Dick Hall’s House Pharmacy		

I. Purpose of Policy

To define appropriate prescribing practices for Dartmouth Health Providers writing prescriptions for themselves or family members to be filled at the Dartmouth-Hitchcock Pharmacy (Home Delivery), D-H Pharmacy at Centerra, Cheshire Medical Center Pharmacy (Outpatient), and Dick Hall’s House Pharmacy.

II. Policy Scope

This policy applies to all Dartmouth Health Providers writing prescriptions to be filled at the D-H Pharmacy (Home Delivery), D-H Pharmacy at Centerra, Cheshire Medical Center Pharmacy (Outpatient), and Dick Hall’s House Pharmacy and all Pharmacy staff responsible for filling prescriptions.

III. Definitions

Self-prescribing: Ordering prescription medications for oneself or immediate family members.

IV. Policy Statement

- Dartmouth Health Providers may write prescriptions for themselves or immediate family members (except for their adolescents who are 12-17 years of age) to be filled at the D-H Pharmacy (Home Delivery), D-H Pharmacy at Centerra, Cheshire Medical Center Pharmacy (Outpatient), or Dick Hall’s House Pharmacy if the prescription:
 - Is for acute, short-term use (no more than a 30-day supply with no refills).
 - Is not a controlled substance in schedule I, II, III, IV, or V.
 - Is within the scope of practice of the prescribing provider.
 - Is for treatment of an FDA approved indication.
- In an effort to detect violations of this policy, a member of the Retail and Specialty Pharmacy Quality and Safety Team will review the “Self-Prescribed Medications” report on a regular basis.

V. References

- <https://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/rsa/html/XXX/318-B/318-B-9.htm>

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