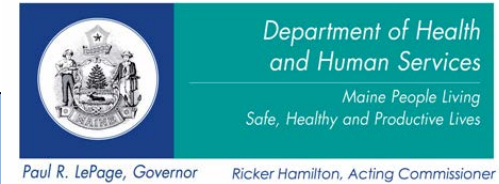


# Opioid Prescription Requirements



## Non-Exempt Opioid Prescriptions (less than 100 MME)

- “Acute” or “Chronic” must be written on the prescription:
  - Acute = 7 day supply or less (After day 7, refill requires new prescription)
  - Chronic = maximum of 30 day supply
- PMP check is required upon initial prescription, and every 90 days for as long as that prescription is renewed

## Opioid Medication Exemption Codes – Information Required on Prescriptions (greater than 100 MME)

| Exemption Code                           | “Acute” or “Chronic”                  | ICD-10 Code  | Day Supply                            | PMP Provider Check |
|--|---------------------------------------|--------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------|
| A: Active and aftercare cancer treatment | Not required                          | Not required | 30 Days                               | Every 90 Days      |
| B: Palliative care**                     | Not required                          | Required     | 30 Days                               | Every 90 Days      |
| C: End-of-life and hospice care          | Not required                          | Not required | 30 Days                               | Not required       |
| D: Medication-assisted treatment         | Not required                          | Not required | 30 Days                               | Every 90 Days      |
| E: Pregnant with pre-existing condition  | Not required                          | Not required | 30 Days                               | Every 90 Days      |
| F: Acute pain with existing chronic pain | "Acute" on scripts for 7 days or less | Not required | 7 or less                             | Every 90 Days*     |
| G: Active tapering                       | Not required                          | Not required | 30 Days                               | Every 90 Days      |
| H: Opioid intolerance                    | Required                              | Not required | "Acute"= 7 days<br>"Chronic"= 30 days | Every 90 Days*     |

\*Additionally require PMP check at initial prescription for acute condition

\*\*Please see complete definition for palliative care in current use (<https://legislature.maine.gov/statutes/22/title22sec1726.html>)

## Veterinarian Prescriptions

- “For Animal Use”, or similar indication, must be written on the prescription
- “Acute” or “Chronic” must be written on the prescription:
  - Acute = 7 day supply or less (After day 7, refill requires new prescription)
  - Chronic = maximum of 30 day supply
- PMP check is required upon initial prescription, and every 90 days for as long as that prescription is renewed
- Exemption codes are not required, regardless of MME
- Does not require ICD-10 code on script

**Statement regarding refills and missing elements on a prescription: all Rx documentation elements that are state-mandated, but not federally-mandated, may be discussed with and documented by dispensers for Rx confirmation, and may not require the creation of a new prescription. Refills will continue to be allowed per DEA guidance.**

For more information regarding Maine’s PMP, please visit [Maine.gov/pmp](http://Maine.gov/pmp)