

## Ohio Revised Code

Section 4725.091 Rules governing practice under therapeutic pharmaceutical agents certificates.

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- (A) The state board of optometry shall adopt rules governing the authority of licensed optometrists to employ, apply, administer, and prescribe schedule III controlled substances under a therapeutic pharmaceutical agents certificate. The rules shall be adopted in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code and in consultation with the state board of pharmacy.
- (B) All of the following apply to the state board of optometry in the adoption of rules under this section:
- (1) The board shall not permit an optometrist to employ, apply, administer, or prescribe a schedule III controlled substance other than a drug included in section 3719.41 of the Revised Code within the schedule III narcotics-narcotic preparations category.
- (2) The board shall limit the schedule III controlled substances that optometrists may employ, apply, administer, or prescribe to the drugs that the board determines are appropriate for use in the practice of optometry under a therapeutic pharmaceutical agents certificate.
- (3) With regard to the prescribing of schedule III controlled substances, the board shall establish prescribing standards to be followed by optometrists who hold therapeutic pharmaceutical agents certificates. The board shall take into account the prescribing standards that exist within the health care marketplace.
- (4) The board shall establish standards and procedures for employing, applying, administering, and prescribing schedule III controlled substances under a therapeutic pharmaceutical agents certificate by taking into consideration and examining issues that include the appropriate length of drug therapy, appropriate standards for drug treatment, necessary monitoring systems, and any other factors the board considers relevant.

