

Objectives

- » Enhance the RcopiaPPC look and feel to improve efficiency and user experience
- » Implement new DEA regulation surrounding the electronic transmission of controlled substances

Background

Current DEA regulations do not consider the total electronic transmission of controlled substance prescriptions to be valid. Please comply with the below starting 4/1/08.

Previously

- ◇ Schedule III-V prescriptions, in some states, could be sent electronically to the pharmacy using a digital signature and the 'Send' button in Rcopia.
- ◇ Renewal requests for Schedule III-V prescriptions could be approved electronically to the pharmacy with no further action required.

Change

- ◇ As of 4/1/2008, all Schedule III-V prescriptions will be forced to print. The printed prescription must be signed by the provider in wet ink and may be subsequently handed to the patient or faxed to the pharmacy. The application will not allow accidental sending of these prescriptions to the pharmacy.
- ◇ Renewal requests, when approved, will send a "denied/ new prescription to follow" message to the pharmacist indicating you will print the approved renewal out, sign in wet ink, and either hand it to the patient or fax to the pharmacy. Once approved, the renewal will wait in the pending prescription queue for printing.
- ◇ Schedule II prescription regulations are not affected.

Removals

The 'Print' button from the pending prescriptions screen. To print a prescription:

- » Choose **Print** from the "Review Rx" screen
- » On the "Send Rx" screen, enter signature password and click the **Send**
- » The prescription will print if that is the option you selected from the "Review Rx" screen.

Enhancements

- » Added "Main" link on several screens to enable an easy return to the main menu
- » Enhanced the detail provided in the main menu message box

- » Red border will appear around Renewals and Send Rx when there are contents pending actions to be taken
- » Added the DrFirst logo to the application
- » Improved main menu layout
- » Improvements to screen layouts and wording
- » Last office visit (LOV) added to Renewals detail
- » Added ability to change a renewal
- » Ability to link to send prescriptions directly from the pending prescriptions screen
- » Ability to search for pharmacies using zip code and fax number
- » "24" will be displayed at the beginning of each pharmacy entry to designate 24 hours operation
- » The former "Do" menu on the main menu has been renamed "Preferences"
- » Redundant items in the Preferences and Tools menu have been removed
- » Screens have been renamed to more accurately reflect the contents