

**645—182.4(155A) Prescription drug orders.** Each prescription drug order furnished by an optometrist in this state will meet the following requirements:

**182.4(1)** Written prescription drug orders will contain:

- a.* The date of issuance;
- b.* The name and date of birth of the patient for whom the drug is dispensed;
- c.* The name, strength, and quantity of the drug, medicine, or device prescribed;
- d.* The directions for use of the drug, medicine, or device prescribed;
- e.* The name, address, and written signature of the practitioner issuing the prescription; and
- f.* The federal drug enforcement administration number, if required under Iowa Code chapter 124.

**182.4(2)** The practitioner issuing oral prescription drug orders will furnish the same information required for a written prescription, except for the written signature and address of the practitioner.

**182.4(3)** Prior to prescribing any controlled substance, an optometrist will review the patient's information contained in the prescription monitoring program database, unless the patient is receiving inpatient hospice care or long-term residential facility care.

**182.4(4)** Beginning January 1, 2020, every prescription issued for a prescription drug will be transmitted electronically unless exempted pursuant to Iowa Code section 124.308 or 155A.27. Beginning January 1, 2020, a licensee who fails to comply with the electronic prescription mandate may be subject to a nondisciplinary administrative penalty of \$250 per violation, up to a maximum of \$5,000 per calendar year.

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