

481—552.13(124,155A) Electronic transmission mandate—exemptions and petition.

552.13(1) Exemptions. In addition to the exemptions identified in Iowa Code sections 124.308 and 155A.27, the following prescriptions will be exempt from the electronic transmission requirement:

- a. A prescription issued pursuant to Iowa Code section 280.16A.
- b. A prescription issued in an emergency to meet the immediate care need of a patient when a prescriber is unable to access electronic prescribing capabilities. Such prescription will be limited to a quantity sufficient to meet the acute need of the patient with no authorized refills.

552.13(2) Form. An exemption from the electronic transmission mandate provided in Iowa Code sections 124.308 and 155A.27 may be requested on a form provided by the board.

552.13(3) Criteria for board consideration. Except for petitions citing the exceptional circumstances listed herein, which will be administratively reviewed for approval, each petition will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis.

- a. A free or low-income clinic where health care is provided at no cost or at a reduced cost to the patient without reimbursement from a third-party payer that requests an exemption for noncontrolled substances only.
- b. A licensed prescriber who issues no more than 50 noncontrolled substance prescriptions per year who requests an exemption for noncontrolled substances only.
- c. The department of veterans affairs for prescriptions that are not filled at a veterans affairs pharmacy.
- d. A prescriber at a student health center based at a college or university, for noncontrolled substances only.
- e. A dentist seeking an exemption for prescriptions limited to toothpastes and mouthwashes.
- f. A compounding pharmacy that dispenses no more than 50 prescriptions for commercially available prescription medications per year that requests an exemption for noncontrolled substances only.

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