

DEA Policy

Use of DRUG ENFORCEMENT ADMINISTRATION NUMBER (DEA) For Residents with Temporary Training licenses

Temporary, facility specific, restricted DEA numbers are made available for residents holding a temporary license from the State of Missouri and provide authorization to prescribe controlled substances only for patients treated in connection with residency duties at the hospital that issued the correlating DEA number. At each hospital, residents holding a temporary license must use a different temporary DEA number covered by the registration of that hospital. Under no circumstance may a resident use a DEA number across facilities when on rotations at affiliated hospitals.

All temporary DEA and Controlled Substance numbers expire following their assignment and are eliminated from the list of authorized numbers and from registration with various law enforcement bodies. New numbers must be assigned each academic year. The DEA numbers assigned for temporary purposes may not be utilized for moonlighting or other purposes.

Residents who hold a permanent Missouri medical license and a personal DEA number associated with that license must use their personal DEA number in lieu of a hospital assigned DEA number. If a Resident has a permanent license, but does not have a personal DEA number, that resident may continue to use the hospital assigned DEA number for the duration of their residency training program. Misuse of a personal or hospital DEA number may subject the resident to disciplinary action by the Drug Enforcement Administration, The Missouri Board of Registration for the Healing Arts or the training program.

Moonlighting Activities

If a resident engages in any approved moonlighting activities, the resident must obtain a permanent license and his/her own personal DEA number. Obtaining a permanent license and a personal DEA number will not be paid for by the training program.

Misuse of DEA

Misuse of the hospital-assigned or personal DEA numbers includes, but is not limited to:

1. Using a hospital's specific DEA number to prescribe controlled substances to patients not followed within that hospital's system;
2. Prescribing for self, family members, friends, hospital staff or other persons except as patients of the training program

3. Prescribing excessive amounts of controlled substances to any patient, including the writing of an excessive number of prescriptions for an addicting or potentially harmful drug to a patient;
4. Any violations of the provisions of this policy.

Misuse of any DEA number will be reported directly to the Program Director, Hospital President and the Dean and may result in disciplinary action up to and including dismissal from the training program.

For residents in non-ACGME accredited programs, contact the GME office for additional information and direction.

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