



CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE POLICY

The ability to prescribe narcotics, benzodiazepines, and other controlled substances is a privilege that is granted by the DEA. The Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) has strict regulations governing the prescribing of controlled substances. The physicians at Saeed Medical Group LTD and all of its D.B.A's (will be referred to as the practice) take this privilege very seriously.

Controlled substances are prescribed for short-term use only. If required for periods longer than a few weeks, and a definitive diagnosis had not been established, a diagnostic evaluation (which may include referral for consultation with one or more specialists) will be initiated to determine the diagnosis. If the patient chooses not to pursue a diagnostic evaluation, the practice will not be able to continue to prescribe narcotics.

If when a diagnosis has been determined, the patient will be referred for definitive treatment or to Pain Management, if a long-term chronic pain management is required. The physicians at the practice are not trained in Pain Management. Chronic pain management is not part of our practice, nor is it a service that we provide.

- **If controlled substances are prescribed by the practice, the patient will not seek controlled substances from any other provider.**
- Prescriptions will be filled at one pharmacy/ pharmacy chain.
- Controlled substances prescriptions will not be filled by phone
- Controlled substances will be taken only as prescribed. Abuse/ overuse will not be tolerated.
- Lost prescription will not be rewritten/refilled. Controlled substances are not to be share or sold.
- Misrepresenting a condition or situation in order to obtain controlled substances is illegal. If it is felt that a patient is not being honest, the practice will refuse to prescribe controlled substances. Additionally, law enforcement agencies may be notified.
- Random drug screens (at patient's expense) may be requested.
- Promptness for all appointment(s) is expected.
- If the physician decides to refill prescription then the patient must bring in the bottle for pill count.

Violation of, or refusal to comply with any of these guidelines may results in controlled substances no longer being prescribed and/ or dismissal from the practice.

Signature of patient or representative by law	Date
Relationship to Patient	Interpreter, if utilized
Witness Signature	