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Subject: RE: Dr. Behzad Aalaei

Hi Brian,

Regardless of a prescriber's prescribing history, as long as they has an active and valid DEA and State license, we cannot 'blanketly' refuse or systematically deny his prescriptions. Each prescription, patient, prescriber must be evaluated for GFD on a case by case basis.

If there are red flags that cannot be resolved such as high quantities, distance, trends such as all patients getting the same dose and quantity of the same medication, diagnosis that don't make sense with the medications prescribed, etc.. the verifying pharmacist has the right to refuse to fill the prescription.

Regardless if the decision is to fill or refuse, make sure to properly document the steps taken to reach that decision either on the prescription hardcopy or IC+ image/profile.

In order to alert or notify the DEA of prescriber of concern, a pharmacist **may** choose to notify the DEA by sending a copy of the refused prescription to the local DEA office using the below template. This provides the DEA with examples of refused prescriptions that are being prescribed by the doctor.

http://snetapp.walgreens.com/prodpublisher/rxfilling/good\_faith/dea\_fax\_template.htm

Also please advise the pharmacy staff to refrain from entering any slanderous comments in the prescriber's IC+ profile and stick with generic comments such as "verify GFD".

I hope this helps, but please let me know if you have other questions.

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Subject: Dr. Behzad Aalaei

Hello RxIntegrity,

PLAINTIFFS TRIAL EXHIBIT P-25638\_00001

We have been seeing a considerable amount of narcotics flowing out of the office of a Dr. Behzad Aalaei FA4256372. We are consistently seeing high amounts of opioids also combined with benzodiazepines. I am certain you are aware of the current <u>CDC opioid guidelines</u> as well as the risks associated with opioids in

combination with benzodiazepines. This prescriber also seems to be in the fashion of pre-writing "diagnosis" codes on his scripts, as if to discourage phones calls/questions to his office, as most likely many pharmacies feel his scripts are questionable. We are bringing this to your attention, as we may want to review the relationship with a prescriber that is consistently writing for large amounts of controlled substances.

Cheers

Brian Hoskins RPh PharmD

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