

Tramadol and Carisoprodol

Effective April 7, 2011, Tramadol , Carisoprodol and products containing Tramadol or Carisoprodol will be classified as Schedule IV controlled substances in the State of Tennessee pursuant to Tenn. Comp. R. & Regs. Rule 0940-06-01.04, (http://state.tn.us/sos/rules_filings/01-08-11.pdf) as authorized under Tenn. Code Ann. § 39-17-403.

As of April 7, 2011, Tramadol , Carisoprodol and products containing Tramadol or Carisoprodol will become part of the CSMD submissions. Pharmacists should work with their pharmacy prescription dispensing software vendors or information technology experts to update the information they are required to submit to the Controlled Substance Monitoring Database to include prescriptions for tramadol-containing products and carisoprodol-containing products dispensed on or after April 7, 2011.

The Tennessee Board of Pharmacy advises that all pharmacists and prescribers read and follow the DEA requirements **as they pertain to controlled substances before** accepting or prescribing Tramadol, Carisoprodol or any other product containing Tramadol or Carisoprodol.

The Tennessee Board of Pharmacy also advises that all pharmacies and prescribers take inventory of their current stock of Tramadol , Carisoprodol and other products which contain Tramadol or Carisoprodol on April 7, 2011.