



## NURSE-MIDWIFERY SCHEDULE II CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES TO INCLUDE THE RISKS OF ADDICTION AND NEONATAL ABSTINENCE SYNDROME WITH THE USE OF OPIOIDS

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Senate Bill No. 1109 (Bates) Chapter 693 adds “risks of addiction in neonatal abstinence syndrome associated with the use of opioids” to continuing education and/or pharmacology courses requirements to furnish Schedule II controlled substances. Chapter 693 effective January 1, 2019 amends Business and Professions Code, section 2746.51(b)(2).

Senate Bill No. 614, (Figueroa) effective January 1, 2006 amended the Business and Profession Code, Section 2746.51 to authorize a certified nurse-midwife to furnish or order Schedule II controlled substances under conditions applicable to Schedule III, IV, or V controlled substances and to require that a certified nurse-midwife with an active furnishing number provide specified documentation of continuing education relating to Schedule II controlled substances.

Nurse-Midwives wishing to furnish Schedule II controlled substances are required to complete **either** a minimum 2-hour Board of Registered Nursing approved continuing education course in Schedule II pharmacology, which also includes content regarding the risks of addiction associated with the use of Schedule II controlled substances and neonatal abstinence syndrome, **OR** successfully complete the required pharmacological content for Schedule II controlled substances, including risks of addiction associated with their use and neonatal abstinence syndrome, in a board-approved advanced pharmacology course. The Board of Registered Nursing is required to verify each nurse-midwife’s completion of the required Schedule II controlled substance continuing education or advanced pharmacology course content.

Each nurse-midwife applying for Schedule II furnishing privileges **must** submit to the Board:

\*Written request for Schedule II furnishing privileges that include your name, address, and nurse-midwife furnishing number.

\*Photocopy of the continuing education completion certificate or verification of Schedule II course content in an advanced pharmacology course. Include the detailed course outline if requested to do so by the BRN.

**Please mail to:** Board of Registered Nursing  
Advanced Practice Unit  
1747 North Market Blvd., Suite 150  
Sacramento, CA. 95834

The Board of Registered Nursing will process your request for Schedule II furnishing privileges upon receipt of documentation regarding the continuing education course or advanced pharmacology course content. **The DEA will process nurse-midwife applications after accessing the Board's web site to ensure that Controlled Substance II, with Risks of Addiction and Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome designations, have been added to your NMW furnishing number.**

**Course Description requirements for Schedule II controlled substances:**

Course must include principles of pharmacology related to the pharmacotherapeutic management of women whose illness, injury, or condition requires evaluation and treatment using Schedule II controlled substances outside of the acute care hospital, the pharmacokinetic and pharmacodynamic principles of Schedule II medications commonly used in the diagnosis, prevention and treatment of women's health care conditions, including risks of addiction and neonatal abstinence syndrome associated with the use of Schedule II controlled substances. Additionally, legal requirements for furnishing controlled substances as well as principles related to patient-specific protocols for Schedule II controlled substances must be included.

**Minimum Course Objectives for Schedule II controlled substances:**

At completion of the course, the nurse-midwife will be able to:

- Demonstrate an understanding of the pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics related to Schedule II controlled substances in relationship to their use in the treatment of illness, injury, or conditions in women's health, including the risks of addiction and neonatal abstinence syndrome associated with the use of Schedule II controlled substances.
- Analyze state laws and federal regulation pertaining to the furnishing, dispensing, and administering Schedule II controlled substances for out-of-hospital patient use.
- Outline the required components of a furnishing standardized procedure or protocol for Schedule II controlled substance medications in a Patient-Specific Protocol in accord with Business and Profession Code, Section 2746.51.