SECTION .1800 - PRESCRIPTIONS

21 NCAC 46 .1801 EXERCISE OF PROFESSIONAL JUDGMENT IN FILLING PRESCRIPTIONS

- (a) A pharmacist or device and medical equipment dispenser shall have a right to refuse to fill or refill a prescription order if doing so would be contrary to his or her professional judgment.
- (b) A pharmacist or device and medical equipment dispenser shall not fill or refill a prescription order if, in the exercise of professional judgment, there is or reasonably may be a question regarding the order's accuracy, validity, authenticity, or safety for the patient.
- (c) A prescription order is valid only if it is a lawful order for a drug, device, or medical equipment issued by a health care provider for a legitimate medical purpose, in the context of a patient-prescriber relationship, and in the course of legitimate professional practice as recognized by the occupational licensing board governing the health care provider.

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