

## NC Controlled Substances Reporting System (CSRS) Reporting Gabapentin Dispensations FAQ for Veterinarian Medicine Prescribers

This Frequently Asked Questions document has been created to address the implementation of required Gabapentin reporting in the NC CSRS in the Session Law 2023-65 Part XI Section 11.1 G.S. 90-113.73(b)

### 1. When does this law go into effect?

- For the veterinarian community, this law comes into effect on March 1, 2025.  
For other health care sectors, the law went into effect, on March 1, 2024.

### 2. When will the veterinary state license failover for Gabapentin reporting in North Carolina be available?

- The veterinary state license failover for Gabapentin dispensation reporting to the NC CSRS will launch on January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

### 3. Do I have to report direct administrations of Gabapentin?

- No, direct administrations of Gabapentin do not have to be reported to the NC CSRS.

### 4. If I do not have a DEA or NPI number as a veterinarian, how can I report Gabapentin dispensations?

- Gabapentin dispensations for veterinarians can be reported using a state license failover. When reporting through PMP Clearinghouse leave the PRE01 and PRE02 fields blank and enter the veterinarian prescriber's North Carolina registered veterinary license number in PRE04. Please see the reference chart for pet specific dispensation reporting elements.

| Element ID | Element Name  | Guidance for Veterinary Prescription   |
|------------|---|--|
| PAT07      | Last Name   | Pet Owner's last name (human)  |
| PAT08      | First Name  | Pet Owner's first name (human)   |
| PAT18      | Date of Birth (DOB)   | Pet Owner's date of birth (human)  |
| PAT19      | Gender Code<br>• F Female<br>• M Male<br>• U Nonbinary, other, or unknown | Pet Owner's gender (human)   |
| PAT20      | Species Code<br>• 01 Human<br>• 02 Veterinary Patient                     | Enter "02" for Veterinary Patient  |
| PAT23      | Name of Animal  | Animal's name<br>If you do not have the name of the animal, you may put "Unknown" in this field  |
| PRE04      | Prescriber State License Number   | To be utilized for non-controlled substances, such as gabapentin, when the prescriber does not have a DEA or NPI number (e.g., veterinarians). In this instance, leave PRE01 and PRE02 blank and |

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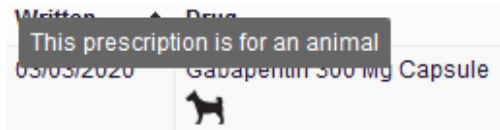
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|  |  | enter the prescriber's NC license number in PRE04. |
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### 5. What if I still get an error after submitting pet Gabapentin prescriptions using a veterinarian state license number?

- If you still receive an error after you have attempted to submit a pet Gabapentin dispensation using a NC veterinarian registered license number. Please verify you have followed the process outlined under question three above. If you continue to receive an error, please contact <https://pmpclearinghouse.zendesk.com/hc/en-us/>.

### 6. How would I know if a Gabapentin prescription on a patient's report is a pet prescription?

- All pet prescriptions are indicated by a pet icon in a patient's report.



### 7. Are pet Gabapentin prescriptions included in NarxCare or morphine milligram equivalency (MME) calculations on search reports?

- Pet prescriptions are excluded from NarxCare, overdose risk scores, and MME calculations on patient search reports.

If you have any additional questions regarding reporting veterinary controlled substance or gabapentin in North Carolina please see our NC Veterinarian Dispenser Guide located here: <https://www.ncdhhs.gov/nc-veterinarian-dispenser-guidev30/download?attachment> or contact us at [nccsrs@dhhs.nc.gov](mailto:nccsrs@dhhs.nc.gov) .