

## **4731-11-02 General provisions.**

(A) A physician shall not utilize a controlled substance other than in accordance with all the provisions of this chapter of the Administrative Code.

(B) A physician shall not utilize a controlled substance without taking into account the drug's potential for abuse, the possibility the drug may lead to dependence, the possibility the patient will obtain the drug for a nontherapeutic use or to distribute to others, and the possibility of an illicit market for the drug.

(C) A physician shall complete and maintain accurate medical records reflecting the physician's examination, evaluation, and treatment of all the physician's patients. Patient medical records shall accurately reflect the utilization of any controlled substances in the treatment of a patient and shall indicate the diagnosis and purpose for which the controlled substance is utilized, and any additional information upon which the diagnosis is based.

(D) A physician shall obey all applicable provisions of sections 3719.06, 3719.07, 3719.08 and 3719.13 of the Revised Code, and the rules promulgated thereunder, rules 4729-5-30 and 4729-5-13 of the Administrative Code, and all applicable provisions of federal law governing the possession, distribution, or use of controlled substances.

(E) Violations of this rule:

(1) A violation of any provision of this rule, as determined by the board, shall constitute any or all of the following: "failure to maintain minimal standards applicable to the selection or administration of drugs," as that clause is used in division (B)(2) of section 4731.22 of the Revised Code; and "a departure from, or the failure to conform to, minimal standards of care of similar physicians under the same or similar circumstances, whether or not actual injury to a patient is established," as that clause is used in division (B)(6) of section 4731.22 of the Revised Code.

(2) A violation of paragraph (C) of this rule shall further constitute "selling, prescribing, giving away, or administering drugs for other than legal and legitimate therapeutic purposes," as that clause is used in division (B)(3) of section 4731.22 of the Revised Code.