Resolution: Guideline for Patient Discussion Regarding Vehicle Operation When Prescribing Controlled Substances for Pain

Adopted June 13, 2018

The Board hereby makes the following recommendation to our licensed health care providers when prescribing controlled substances for pain. It is recommended that the prescribers licensed by the Board inform the patient of the effect the patient’s medication may have on the patient’s ability to safely operate a vehicle. This recommendation is consistent with the National Transportation Safety Board Safety Recommendation, I-14-1 and I-14-2.