

## Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure Prescribing Rules Summary

MSBML Prescribing Rules Summary:	
<b>Acute Pain</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Recommended &lt; 3 days</li> <li>◦ Max 10 days, may give 1 additional (max 10 day) prescription</li> </ul>
<b>Chronic Pain</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Use lowest effective dose</li> <li>◦ Recommend ≤ 50 MME daily</li> <li>◦ Should not exceed 90 MME daily</li> <li>◦ If &gt; 100 MME must be in pain clinic</li> <li>◦ Methadone for chronic pain only through pain clinics (by physician)</li> </ul>
<b>Benzodiazepines</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Max 90 days per prescription</li> <li>◦ Should not co-administer with opioids                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Short term acceptable</li> <li>◦ Patients on chronic benzodiazepines and opioids should be gradually weaned off one or both</li> <li>◦ Chronic co-administration in rare, extreme circumstances</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Mississippi Prescription Monitoring Program (MPMP)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ All licensees must register with MPMP</li> <li>◦ Must check on all opioid prescriptions for acute and/or chronic non-cancerous/non-terminal pain upon issuance</li> <li>◦ Must utilize the MPMP upon initial contact with new patients and at least every 3 months thereafter for all controlled medications other than opioids</li> <li>◦ Must document MPMP review (must include time from last check)</li> <li>◦ PMP check not required for inpatients but must be checked if discharged on opioids</li> </ul>
<b>Drug Screening</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Point of Service Drug Testing must be done at least 3 times per calendar year when Schedule II medications is written for the treatment of chronic non-cancerous/non-terminal pain</li> <li>◦ Applies also for Benzodiazepines for chronic medical and/or psychiatric conditions which are non-cancerous/non-terminal</li> <li>◦ Inpatient treatment/hospice patients exempt</li> </ul>
<b>Exemptions</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Terminal/Cancer treatment</li> <li>◦ Hospice patients</li> <li>◦ Inpatients (nursing home, rehab, hospitals, etc.)</li> <li>◦ Prescriptions for Pseudoephedrine, Lomotil, Lyrica, Testosterone, and/or Amphetamines prescribed for patients under the age of 16 for the treatment of Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder</li> </ul>
<b>Pain Management</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ If ≥ 50% of patients receive controlled substances for chronic pain, must register as pain clinic</li> <li>◦ If advertises as pain clinic, must register</li> <li>◦ Must check MPMP every time controlled substance prescribed</li> <li>◦ Must see a pain management physician prior to initiating controlled substance</li> </ul>

**\*MME = Morphine Milligram Equivalent**