

## Postgraduate Medical Education (PGME)

Title:	Prescribing in Postgraduate Training Programs	Number:	002
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### Policy

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1. Residents in Postgraduate Training may be allowed to prescribe any medications, including narcotics, but excluding methadone, from the first day of the first month of Postgraduate Training, under supervision. The name of the supervising physician is to be printed on the prescription.
2. For the purpose of prescribing narcotics the Resident will be provided a triplicate pad that will contain the printed name of the Resident, and CPS ID Number. As well the Resident is to print the name of the supervising physician at that time on the prescription.
3. The ability to prescribe medication is restricted to patients seen by the Resident under the auspices of the training program; the Resident is to sign a statement acknowledging this restriction.
4. The Program Director must notify the College of Physicians and Surgeons of BC if any concerns arise as to the competency of the Resident to prescribe medications including narcotics. The Program Director may withhold recommendation for prescribing privilege of any Resident until the Program Director is satisfied that the Resident is competent to prescribe medication.
5. The request for prescribing privileges will be co-signed by the Postgraduate Dean and forwarded by the PGME office to the College of Physicians and Surgeons of BC.
6. Prescribing privileges are not granted to visiting or elective Residents.
7. The College of Physicians and Surgeons of BC reserves the right to withdraw prescribing privileges at any time.

Action	Committee	Date	Status