

POISONS AND THERAPEUTIC GOODS REGULATION 2008

APPROVAL

Form of the Keeping of a Drug Register otherwise than for hospital wards

I, JUDITH MACKSON, Chief Pharmacist, a duly appointed delegate of the Secretary, NSW Health, make this instrument pursuant to clauses 111(4), 112(1)(j), 112(3) and 112(4) of the *Poisons and Therapeutic Goods Regulation 2008* (NSW) [the Regulation].



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(Delegation Number PH368, PH485)

Date: 15 April 2021

Approval for Electronic Drug Register as a form of keeping drug registers otherwise than for hospital wards and residential care facilities

1 Application

An Electronic Drug Register complying with the *Standards for Use of an Electronic Drug Register Requiring Single Signature* as currently published on the NSW Ministry of Health website, is approved as a form of keeping drug registers otherwise than for hospital wards and residential care facilities, other than in accordance with subclauses 111(2) and 111(3) of the Regulation, that is, not in the form of a book with separate pages for each drug of addiction.

A person authorised to possess drugs of addiction, when making an entry in such a compliant Electronic Drug Register, is exempted from signing each entry in the register with a physical signature in accordance with clause 112(2) of the Regulation.

This approval does not apply to drug registers used by persons licensed to supply drugs of addiction by wholesale.

2 Conditions

In accordance with subclause 112(1)(j) of the Regulation, the person authorised to possess drugs of addiction must ensure that the Electronic Drug Register is at all times maintained and used in accordance with the *Standards for Use of an Electronic Drug Register Requiring Single Signature* as published on the NSW Ministry of Health website at the time of use of the register.

The person authorised to possess drugs of addiction must ensure that each other person who is required to make entries in the Electronic Drug Register is fully instructed in how to do so in accordance with the *Standards for Use of an Electronic Drug Register Requiring Single Signature*.

3 Duration

This approval commences on the day it is signed and dated and expires on 29 February 2024 or when replaced by another instrument.