Readopt with amendment Den 503.01, effective 1-1-17 (Document# 12061), to read as follows:

PART Den 503 OPIOID PRESCRIBING

Den 503.01 Applicability. ~~This~~ ***Den 503.02 through Den 503.06*** ~~part~~ shall apply to the prescribing of opioids for the management or treatment of non-cancer and non-terminal pain, and shall not apply to the supervised administration of opioids in a health care setting.

Readopt with amendment Den 503.05, effective 1-1-17 (Document # 12061), to read as follows:

Den 503.05 ***Controlled Drug Prescription Health and Safety Program***~~Prescription Drug Monitoring Program~~.

(a) ~~Prescribing licensees~~***Prescribers, or their delegate,*** required to register with the ***controlled drug prescription health and safety*** program ***(program)*** under RSA ***126-A:89 through 126-A:96***~~318-B:31-40~~, ~~or their delegate,~~ shall query the ~~prescription drug monitoring~~ program to obtain a history of schedule II-IV controlled substances dispensed to a patient, prior to prescribing an initial schedule II, III, and IV opioids for the management or treatment of ~~this~~ ***a*** patient's pain and then periodically and at least twice per year, except when:

(1) Controlled medications are to be administered to patients in a health care setting;

(2) The program is inaccessible or not functioning properly, due to an internal or external electronic issue; or

(3) An emergency department is experiencing a higher than normal patient volume***, and to*** ~~such that~~ query~~ing~~ the program database would materially delay care.

(b) ***When a situation falling under exception (2) or (3) above is applicable, such exception shall be documented in the patient's medical record.***~~A licensee shall document the exceptions described in (a)(2) and (3) above in the patient's medical record.~~

Appendix I

Rule	Statute
Den 503.01	RSA 318-B:41, II
Den 503.05	RSA 317-A:12, XIII; RSA 318-B:41, II