Purpose

The possession and administration of controlled substances is governed by the U.S. Department of Justice Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) and the State of Wisconsin.

All emergency medical service (EMS) providers and practitioners operating within the State of Wisconsin must comply with the regulations set forth by the DEA regarding controlled substances, as well as the relevant statutes governing controlled substances within the State of Wisconsin.

Providers and practitioners that manufacture, distribute, or dispense controlled substances are required to register with the DEA.

EMS providers must familiarize themselves with the DEA’s controlled substances regulations, as outlined in Title 21 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Chapter II. These regulations encompass the proper handling, storage, dispensing, and documentation of controlled substances, aiming to prevent diversion, theft, or abuse.

Effective July 24, 2023, registrants will be required to submit all DEA Forms 106 electronically through DEA’s Diversion Control Division secure network application. Registrants will have 45 days after discovery of the theft or loss to complete and submit an accurate DEA Form 106 through the DEA Diversion Control Division secure network application.

Registrants must still preliminary notify the DEA Field Division Office in their area, in writing, of the theft or significant loss of any controlled substances within one business day of discovering such theft or loss. Any controlled substance that appears to have been tampered with shall be secured for DEA investigation, and the DEA shall be notified within one business day.

It shall be the sole responsibility of EMS providers and practitioners that will manufacture, distribute, or dispense controlled substances to maintain updated registrations with the DEA and possess any necessary licenses and authorizations as required by state law.

Compliance with DEA regulations and applicable Wisconsin statutes is crucial in safeguarding public health, preventing misuse, abuse, and diversion of controlled substances, and upholding the highest standards of patient care.

Resources:

DEA Reporting Form 106: Significant Theft or Loss Reporting of Controlled Substances (usdoj.gov)