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CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE POLICY

With some psychiatric diagnoses, clients may need to be prescribed controlled substances permanently, temporarily, or as needed. Recognizing that controlled substances do have a place and purpose in psychiatric care, we are not opposed to their prescription. However, the prescribing of such substances is done with great caution and only on a case-by-case basis in accordance with federal and State laws. Controlled substances have the potential for tolerance, abuse, addiction, and can carry long-term and short-term health risks. CRISP reports are pulled on all clients before their appointments in reference to controlled substance prescription history. At Renovate Mental, LLC, **WE WILL NOT:**

- Prescribe benzodiazepines to a patient with a current opioid prescription.
- Prescribe benzodiazepines to a client taking a stimulant medication.
- Prescribe stimulant medication without a valid prescription history, and/or past medical records showing diagnostic testing results for ADHD.
- Prescribe controlled substances to clients with any kind of substance abuse problem or suspected substance abuse problem. You may be ordered a urine drug screen at the provider's discretion.
- Replace stolen controlled substance prescriptions without a police report.
- Prescribe stimulant medications to clients with a history of hypertension unless cleared by their primary care physician or cardiology via clearance letter. Clients with heart conditions must provide clearance letter from their cardiologist.

*Please note that if you accept controlled substance prescriptions of the same or similar class of medication by two different prescribers at the same time, and without both prescribers knowledge or consent, this is referred to as "doctor shopping", and you will be discharged from the practice immediately. If you receive controlled substances from another prescriber and you do not notify the practice, you will be discharged immediately.