

**INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION
APPROVAL ORDER**

Commissioners Voting:

Public Meeting Held July 19, 2012

Silvan B. Lutkewitte, III, Chairman
George D. Bedwick, Vice Chairman
John F. Mizner, Esq.
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Regulation No. 16A-5428 (#2949)
State Board of Pharmacy
Electronic Prescribing of Controlled Substances

On May 30, 2012, the Independent Regulatory Review Commission (Commission) received this regulation from the State Board of Pharmacy (Board). This rulemaking amends 49 Pa. Code Chapter 27. Notice of proposed rulemaking was omitted for this regulation; it will become effective upon publication in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*.

This final-omitted regulation will permit pharmacists to accept electronically transmitted prescriptions for Schedule II controlled substances.

We have determined this regulation is consistent with the statutory authority of the Board (63 P.S. § 390-6(k)(9)) and the intention of the General Assembly. Having considered all of the other criteria of the Regulatory Review Act, we find promulgation of this regulation is in the public interest.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

This regulation is approved.



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Silvan B. Lutkewitte, III".

Silvan B. Lutkewitte, III, Chairman