



**CLINIC POLICY FOR NARCOTIC AND CONTROLLED PRESCRIPTIONS**

1. The goal of treatment is to improve and maintain function and ability to engage in regular daily activities. The goal is not necessarily for complete relief of pain (mental or physical).
2. Risks of using these medications may include sedation, physical and/or mental impairment, addiction, bowel and/or urinary changes, loss of pregnancy, or death. Chronic use of this type of medication may cause habituation, meaning that the body may become adapted to it, and if the medication is suddenly stopped, withdrawal symptoms such as nausea, vomiting, sweating, tremors, abdominal and muscle cramping, anxiety, and other serious reactions may develop. Discontinuation of this medication always requires physician supervision for safe and appropriate dosing.
3. Special laboratory and/or EKG testing may be required for monitoring on these medications. Urine or blood screening for drugs and illegal substances may be ordered at any time. Refusal to cooperate with recommended tests may be interpreted as medical noncompliance.
4. The primary care physician in this clinic will be the only doctor renewing this prescription. Patients must not seek or accept prescriptions of controlled medications from other physicians except in the case of true medical emergencies, and the primary physician must be notified.
5. Your physician and other authorized individuals may review and investigate your controlled substance prescription history via the Colorado Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP). All narcotic and controlled prescriptions are automatically registered in this program.
6. No prescription changes or early refills will be authorized without a physician appointment to review the circumstances.
7. Any lost or stolen medications must be immediately reported to law-enforcement authorities. A replacement prescription may only be considered upon receipt of a formal police report.
8. Refills of controlled-substance prescriptions are only processed during regular business hours (Mon-Fri 8 AM-5 PM) and require at least a full business day to process. Same-day refills of this type of medication are not to be expected.
9. Regular follow-up appointments must be made and kept as deemed appropriate by the doctor.

**I have read and understand Fruita Family Medicine of Grand Valley's controlled-substance policy as written above, and a copy has been provided for my reference. I understand that failure to comply with this policy may result in termination of my doctor-patient relationship that has been established in this clinic.**

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Patient name: Daffy Duck    Date: 03/31/2016