

CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES POLICY LETTER

January 8, 2015

This letter is to inform you of the new controlled substance policy effective immediately at Riggs Community Health Center. Riggs CHC will be limiting controlled substances to adult patients for long term management of chronic pain, anxiety, and attention disorders. For patients that are currently on a plan of care that includes any controlled substance, your provider will begin to decrease the dose and develop an alternate plan of care as warranted.

Each provider will continue to provide the highest level of quality care by recommending and using several different treatment options that do not include controlled substances unless proper documentation of medical necessity is current. Patients on controlled substances for the management of chronic pain or attention deficit disorders will be best managed by a provider specializing in those conditions. Using best practice guidelines, each provider will maintain the highest level of quality care by recommending and using several different treatment options that do not include controlled substances. Depending on the problem, this might include various types of medications, physical therapy, ice/heat, referral for injections or surgery, and electrical stimulation devices.

Please review the list below of the most common controlled substances and understand that if you are currently on one of these medications or a derivative of them, your provider will be working with you to develop a new plan of care for management of symptoms.

Percocet	Adderall	Ultram
Concerta	Vyvanse	Ritalin
Focalin	Oxycontin	Norco
Vicoprofen	Morphine	Vicodin

Everyone can expect a careful evaluation of their medical condition and have their medical needs met with the highest level of quality clinical care. Your medical provider at Riggs Community Health Center will be happy to discuss any question you have regarding this policy.

In an effort to receive safe comprehensive care you are consenting to random urine drug screen to measure the level of prescribed controlled medications.

Printed Name	Date of Birth	
Signature	Date	