

## FAQ – Application Medical Practitioner Dispenser

### What is the purpose of the application/registration?

*The application is for medical practitioners who want to dispense prescription medications, within their scope of practice, directly to their own patients from their medical office or practice location in Montana, with the intent that patients take medications home and **NOT** have the prescription filled at a pharmacy.*

### What is the application/registration **NOT** for?

- This registration IS NOT for the **Montana Prescription Drug Registry (MPDR)** program (that is a separate/different process, see [www.mpdr.mt.gov](http://www.mpdr.mt.gov)).
- This registration IS NOT for writing **prescriptions for medications, including controlled substances, or related prescriptive authority license or renewal requirements.**
- This registration IS NOT for **in-office administration of medications to patients.**
- This registration IS NOT for **providing drug samples to patients.**
- This registration IS NOT for **inpatient practice locations.**
- This registration IS NOT for **emergency services and related dispensing managed through a pharmacy.**
- This registration IS NOT for **existing licensed pharmacies or pharmacies seeking licensure.**
- This registration IS NOT for **occasional dispensing of medications by a medical practitioner but not as a usual course of doing business.**

### What license types are eligible to apply?

- Physicians
- Dentists
- Optometrists
- Podiatrists
- Physician Assistants
- Advanced Practice Registered Nurses (APRN) with Prescriptive Authority

### What are the eligibility requirements?

- You must be physically located in Montana.
- You must have a physical dispensing location in the State of Montana to qualify for this registration.
- You are not required to register as a dispensing practitioner if you intend to provide only drug samples to your patients.
- You are not required to register as a dispensing practitioner if you intend to provide only prescriptions to your patients that they fill at a pharmacy.
- You are not allowed to dispense medications to patients who are not your own under this registration.
- You are not allowed to dispense controlled substance under this registration.

### How do I apply?

- Visit our online portal at [EBIZ.MT.GOV/POL](http://EBIZ.MT.GOV/POL). Click “Start a New License Application.” Choose “New Health Care License.” Then select “Pharmacy.” Then select the “Medical Practitioner Dispenser Application” and complete your application.
- For more information, go to [www.pharmacy.mt.gov](http://www.pharmacy.mt.gov).