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CURES 2.0 Mandatory Use Begins October 2, 2018

The Controlled Substance Utilization Review and Evaluation System (CURES) was certified for statewide use by the Department of Justice (DOJ) on April 2, 2018. Therefore, the mandate to consult CURES prior to prescribing, ordering, administering, or furnishing a Schedule II–IV controlled substance becomes effective on October 2, 2018.

When must providers consult CURES?

- * The first time a patient is prescribed, ordered, administered, or furnished a controlled substance
- * Within the twenty-four hour period, or the previous business day, before prescribing, ordering, administering, or furnishing a controlled substance
- * Before subsequently prescribing a controlled substance, if previously exempt
- * At least once every four months if the controlled substance remains a part of the patient's treatment plan

For detailed information, please visit www.mbc.ca.gov/Licensees/Prescribing/CURES_Update.aspx.