Duo Electronic Prescribing of Controlled Substances

Duo EPCS ensures your clinic’s compliance with DEA requirements for EPCS and reduces fraud and abuse of controlled substances.

**OCHIN Epic Integration**

Several states have passed legislation that mandates the use of Electronic Prescribing of Controlled Substances (EPCS), with more states to follow. The OCHIN-hosted Duo solution offers proven DEA compliant authentication for EPCS that validates a provider’s identity before issuing a prescription.

Two-factor authentication requires two methods, or factors—combining something one knows plus something one has—to verify identity. A common example of this kind of authentication is a debit card; you must have the card and know the PIN to use it. When integrated with the EHR, Duo accomplishes two-factor authentication when a user provides a login and password in combination with a Duo Push to a smartphone app, a code generated from the smartphone app or a fob, or a phone call back.

Electing to initiate Duo services saves time and money, and has other benefits, including:

- Improves security for prescribing controlled substances
- Reduces requirements for prescribing—no more paper scripts
- Preserves prescription authenticity
- Reduces medication errors
- Shortens pharmacy wait times for patients
- Reduces office calls for refills
- Enables remote prescribing
- Lowers costs to the health care system by preventing drug diversions of controlled substances
- Enables close tracking of EPCS through prescription drug monitoring programs (PDMP)

**OCHIN Technology Partner**

Duo is an OCHIN Technology Partner, providing EPCS authentication and compliance solutions to members using OCHIN’s hosted Epic EHR.

This relationship allows OCHIN leverage to oversee and manage the vendor relationship and conduct legal and compliance review on our members’ behalf to streamline the contracting process, simplify billing, and extend our liability coverage to members.

OCHIN coordinated and paid for the interface and build required to use this product so our members don’t have to, and we are able to make it available for a fraction of market cost.

**GETTING STARTED**

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*Duo EPCS is available to OCHIN members through a JIRA access request, a statement of work, and a contract amendment. Contact your OCHIN Account Manager to learn more or get started. Additional resources are available in the Epic Library on Ella.*