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**PRESCRIPTIVE AUTHORITY SUMMARY FOR NEW MEXICO
DOCTORS OF ORIENTAL MEDICINE**

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PURPOSE AND USE OF THE DOCUMENT

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This document is intended to help the doctor of oriental medicine in New Mexico better understand his or her scope of practice, specifically in relation to prescriptive authority.

PRESCRIPTIVE AUTHORITY SUMMARY

Basic Prescriptive Authority: A New Mexico D.O.M is authorized to prescribe or administer any herbal medicine, homeopathic medicine, vitamins, minerals, enzymes, glandular products, natural substances, protomorphogens, live cell products, gerovital, amino acids and dietary and nutritional supplements. Injectable forms of the above substances are not included in the basic prescriptive authority. A New Mexico D.O.M. who is not certified for the Extended Prescriptive Authority or Expanded Prescriptive Authority is not authorized to do injection therapy.

Extended Prescriptive Authority: A New Mexico D.O.M. certified for the Extended Prescriptive Authority is authorized to prescribe or administer all the above substances in the Basic Prescriptive Authority and the injectable forms of the above substances as well as

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cosmetics, biological products including therapeutic serum, over the counter drugs, sterile water, sterile saline, Sarapin or its generic and vapocoolants.

Expanded Prescriptive Authority: A New Mexico D.O.M. certified for the Expanded Prescriptive Authority is authorized to prescribe or administer all the above substances in both the Basic Prescriptive Authority and the Extended Prescriptive Authority as well as caffeine, procaine, oxygen, epinephrine and all forms of bioidentical hormones. The board approved Expanded Prescriptive Authority Formulary lists the substances authorized for use.

Devices: All doctors of oriental medicine are authorized to prescribe or administer devices, restricted devices and prescription devices after completing the training recommended by the manufacturer of the device.

SOURCES

The laws and rules summarized in this document relating to scope of practice and prescriptive authority for New Mexico Doctors of Oriental Medicine can be found on the BAOM (Board of Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine) website. Review Sections 61-14A-3 and 61-14A-8.1 of The Act (the Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine Practice Act), and Part 2 – Scope of Practice (16.2.2. NMAC) of the Rules of the BAOM.

The laws relating to drugs and devices can be found in the New Mexico Drug, Device and Cosmetic Act. It can be found on the Legislature’s website at: www.legis.state.nm.us. Click on “New Mexico Statutes”, then “Statutes”, then “New Mexico Statutes” and go to “26. Drugs & Cosmetics” and refer to 26-1- 2. Definitions..