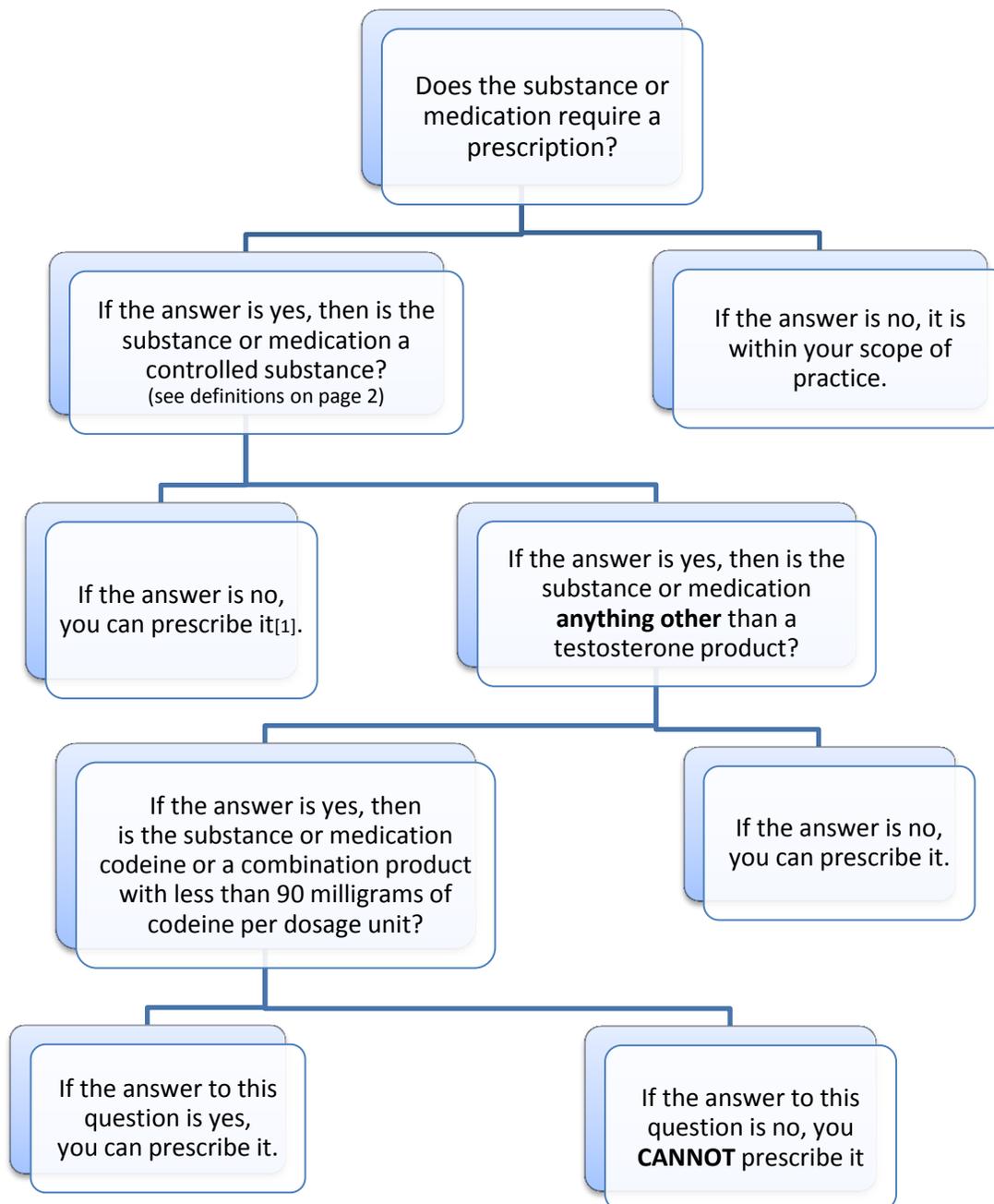


**BOARD OF NATUROPATHY  
ANALYSIS DIAGRAM FOR PRESCRIPTIVE AUTHORITY  
OF CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES**

The Board of Naturopathy (board) is aware of confusion on controlled substance prescriptive authority for naturopathic physicians. The board developed this diagram as a tool for naturopathic physicians, as well as other providers, to better understand naturopathic prescriptive authority.



[1] With the exceptions listed in [WAC 246-836-210\(1\)\(d\)](#)

## Controlled Substance Prescriptive Authority Analysis Tool for Naturopathic Physicians

| <u>Definitions</u>   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
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| Non-legend substance | This is any substance that does not require a prescription and includes “over the counter” medications.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Legend drug          | This is any drug that must be obtained by prescription. For the purposes of this analysis tool, it does not include controlled substances.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Controlled Substance | <p>This is a class of drugs/medications, substances, or immediate precursors that are included in Schedules I through V as set forth in federal or state laws, or federal or state rules.<sup>[1]</sup></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Schedule I is a class of drugs with no currently accepted medical use and a high potential for abuse. These are the most dangerous drugs with potentially severe psychological or physical dependence. Examples include heroin, lysergic acid diethylamide (LSD), 3,4-methylenedioxymethamphetamine (ecstasy), methaqualone, peyote, and marijuana (cannabis).</li> <li>• Schedule II is a class of drugs with a high potential for abuse but with less abuse potential than Schedule I. These drugs also potentially lead to severe psychological or physical abuse and are also considered dangerous. Examples include cocaine, methamphetamine, methadone, hydromorphone (Dilaudid), meperidine (Demerol), oxycodone (OxyContin), fentanyl, Dexedrine, Adderall, Ritalin, and combination products with less than 15 milligrams of hydrocodone per dosage unit (Vicodin).</li> <li>• Schedule III is a class of drugs with moderate to low potential for physical and psychological dependence. Examples include ketamine, anabolic steroids, testosterone, and combination products containing less than 90 milligrams of codeine per dosage unit (Tylenol with codeine).</li> <li>• Schedule IV is a class of drugs with low potential for abuse and low risk of dependence. Examples include Xanax, Soma, Darvon, Darvocet, Valium, Ativan, Talwin, and Ambien.</li> <li>• Schedule V is a class of drugs with a lower potential for abuse and contain limited quantities of certain narcotics. They are generally used for antidiarrheal, antitussive, and analgesic purposes. Examples include Lomotil, Motofen, Lyrica, Parepectolin, and cough preparations with less than 200 milligrams of codeine or 100 milliliters (Robitussin AC).</li> </ul> |

[1] If you aren't sure, see the DEA website at [http://www.deadiversion.usdoj.gov/schedules/orangebook/c\\_cs\\_alpha.pdf](http://www.deadiversion.usdoj.gov/schedules/orangebook/c_cs_alpha.pdf)