

SOUTH CAROLINA BOARD OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL

**Placement of Oliceridine into Schedule II for Controlled Substances**

WHEREAS, pursuant to S.C. Code Section 44-53-160(C), the S.C. Board of Health and Environmental Control (Board) shall designate a substance as a controlled substance by scheduling it in accordance with an order effecting federal scheduling as a controlled substance;

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Justice, Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), issued an interim final rule placing oliceridine, including its salts, isomers, and salts of isomers whenever the existence of such salts, isomers, and salts of isomers is possible, in schedule II of the federal Controlled Substance Act, effective October 30, 2020. F.R. Volume 85, Number 211, pp. 68749-68753;

WHEREAS, oliceridine is a new molecular entity with central nervous system depressant properties, and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and the U.S. Food and Drug Administration have recently approved the use of oliceridine for medical use as an intravenous drug for the management of acute pain severe enough to require an intravenous opioid analgesic and for patients for whom alternative treatments are inadequate;

WHEREAS, according to its interim final rule, the DEA has concluded oliceridine has a high potential for abuse, a currently accepted medical use in the United States, and may lead to severe physical dependence or psychological dependence; therefore, oliceridine should be placed in schedule II of the federal Controlled Substances Act effective October 30, 2020; and

THEREFORE, the Board of Health and Environmental Control adopts the federal scheduling of oliceridine and amends Section 44-53-210 of the South Carolina Code of Laws by adding and designating into Schedule II of the South Carolina Controlled Substances Act: Oliceridine N-[(3- methoxythiophen-2-yl)methyl] ({2-[(9R)-9-(pyridin-2-yl)-6-oxaspiro [4.5]decan-9-yl]ethyl})amine fumarate.



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