

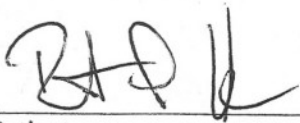
Texas Spine Consultants Prescription Policy

Texas Spine Consultants diagnoses and treats conditions of the spine. We may prescribe medications for you to help relieve the pain. These medications, when used properly, can help patients feel better and lead more productive lives. These medications can also be misused, causing harm to patients and others. For this reason, the State of Texas and the Federal Drug Enforcement Administration regulate the use of medications. Texas Spine Consultants follows those laws.

Our policy:

1. Written prescriptions will not be replaced if lost, stolen or misplaced.
2. Prescriptions are to be taken as directed. In other words, do not change the frequency of the dose unless otherwise directed by a Texas Spine Consultants professional. If a change does occur, this will be noted in your chart.
3. Certain controlled substances such as Oxycontin, MS Contin and Percocet are written for a 30 day supply. It is necessary to make monthly follow up appointments in order to receive a refill. By law, controlled substance medications cannot be refilled over the phone.
4. Refills for prescriptions listed below may be refilled every three months. As a result, if you were not seen in the hospital or office in the past three months, prescriptions cannot be refilled.
 - Sleep aids such as: Ambien
 - Anti-inflammatories such as: Vioxx, Bextra, Celebrex
 - Narcotics such as: Lortab, Vicodin, Darvocet, Hydrocodone
 - Muscle Relaxers such as: Soma, Robaxin, Flexeril
5. If your prescription bottle indicates that you have refills remaining, contact your pharmacy directly. If there are no refills left, you will need to contact our office and schedule an appointment.
6. Refills will not be authorized at night, on weekends or holidays. Be sure to plan ahead to make sure you have enough pills.
7. Before your visit to Texas Spine Consultants, please check your supply of medication. If you need a refill, please ask.
8. Refill requests for prescriptions not prescribed by a Texas Spine Consultants physician will not be authorized.
9. If you believe you may be pregnant, discover you are pregnant at any time, or plan to become pregnant, it is your responsibility to inform this office immediately.

I have read the above prescription policy and I am aware of the necessary steps in order to have prescription(s) refilled.


Patient

05/08/2013
Date