

IDAHO DIVISION OF OCCUPATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSES - HEALTH PROFESSIONS BUREAU

Medication Authority for Idaho Naturopaths

<b>License Type</b>	<b>Board</b>	<b>Authority:</b>	<b>Allowable Pharmacy Action:</b>
Naturopathic Doctor (Unlicensed)	None	No Authority. Under current case law, anyone who wishes to call him or herself a “naturopathic doctor” may do so. Unless the individual is licensed through the Board of Medicine as an NMD or the Naturopathic Health Care Board as an LND, he or she is unlicensed and may not obtain, administer, or prescribe legend drugs.	No authority for legend drugs. Drug orders and requests for purchase from unlicensed naturopathic doctors are NOT valid and should NOT be filled.
Registered Naturopath	<a href="#">Naturopathic Health Care Board</a>	No authority. Practitioners may register as naturopaths with the Naturopathic Health Care Board. These individuals may practice naturopathy consistent with I.C. § 54-1804(1)(l). That statute does not authorize them to obtain, administer, or prescribe legend drugs.	No authority for legend drugs. Drug orders and requests for purchase from registered naturopaths are NOT valid and should NOT be filled.
Licensed Naturopathic Doctor (LND)	<a href="#">Naturopathic Health Care Board</a>	Non-prescriptive authority.  May obtain and administer, but not prescribe <sup>[1]</sup> , legend drugs in accordance with their formulary.	Only non-patient specific purchase orders of legend drugs for office use from LNDs are valid and should be filled. Antineoplastics on NIOSH hazardous drug list are excluded.
Naturopathic Medical Doctor (NMD)	<a href="#">Board of Medicine (AHAB)</a>	Prescriptive authority.  May obtain, administer, and prescribe legend drugs in accordance with their formulary.	Both patient-specific prescription orders of legend drugs and non-patient specific purchase orders of legend drugs for office use received from NMDs are valid and should be filled.

1. Caveat. Before being licensed as an LND, an applicant must first be licensed as a medical doctor, doctor of osteopathy, podiatrist, dentist, advanced practice registered nurse with a doctoral degree, or a doctor of chiropractic medicine. So long as the LND maintains that underlying license, the LND will maintain within the naturopathic formulary the prescriptive authority of that underlying license, including controlled substances with a valid DEA and Idaho CSR, where applicable. (I.e., if an LND placed a prescription drug order using his or her DDS license, that order would be valid.)

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