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APRN PROTOCOL TEMPLATE

The Arkansas State Board of Nursing's *Rules, Chapter 4, Section VIII, C. Protocols for Prescriptive Authority*, the APRN must have a written protocol for prescriptive authority. The protocol should not be submitted to the ASBN unless requested. The protocol should include indications for and classifications of legend drugs, controlled substances (if prescriber holds a DEA registration number), and therapeutic devices. The protocol should also include the date it was adopted or last reviewed, which shall be at least annually.

*The ASBN does not recommend listing reference or textbooks as the prescriptive protocol because there will be items in the books that will not be within the APRN's scope of practice and prescribing privileges.

The following template is an excerpt from an example to help the APRN develop prescriptive protocols:

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HEMATOLOGY	
Anemia, Thrombotic Disorders, Hypocoaguable States, Hypercoaguable Conditions (i.e., DVT, PE)	Iron preparations, Vitamin supplements, Vitamin K, Blood products, Erythropoetic agents, Anticoagulants, Antithrombolytics, Antiplatelets
ENDOCRINE	
Diabetes, Adrenal insufficiency, Hypo/Hyperglycemia, Hypo/Hyperthyroidism	Antidiabetic agents, Insulin, Corticosteroids, Thyroid agents, Glucometers, Test strips, Lancets, Insulin syringes

Date adopted _____

APRN Signature _____

Physician(s) Signature _____

Dates reviewed/initials _____

Dates revised/initials _____