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Dear Parent,

We are excited your student chose Hope College! We are hoping that this information is helpful to you if ADD/ADHD medication is needed for your student on an on-going basis during the academic year. Our campus Health Center does NOT carry controlled substance medications. Students are to use area pharmacies for these needs. Two options are now available for MICHIGAN and OUT-OF-STATE students to make continuity of care more accessible through the school year.

1. Effective 11/2009, HB 4161 (Michigan) was signed into law which allows area pharmacists to dispense controlled substances written by both IN-STATE and OUT-OF-STATE physicians when a paper script is sent directly to the area pharmacy OR directly to the student at his/her college address. Another recent bill (Senate Bill 689) has been updated which allows a controlled substance script to remain valid for a maximum of 90 days once dated.

Recommendations:

- a. Inform your student's prescribing doctor to mail the monthly script directly to your son/daughter at the current college address to improve continuity of care. (Ideally)
  - b. The prescribing doctor can have the option to mail the monthly script to your student's area pharmacy of choice. A local pharmacy that is within walking distance of Hope's campus is:  
Model Pharmacy  
35 W. 8<sup>th</sup> Street  
Holland, MI 49423  
(616) 396-7373
2. If during the academic school year, your student wishes to be evaluated for ADD/ADHD, various facilities can be recommended within the Holland area to your student. These evaluation charges are NOT part of the Hope Health Center medical plan and would be billed directly to the student's major medical insurance. Our goal is to assist our students in achieving their medical and academic goals.

Any questions regarding this information can be answered through Hope College Health Center at 616-395-7585.