

SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

Placement of Ethylphenidate in Schedule I for Controlled Substances

WHEREAS, pursuant to S.C. Code Section 44-53-160(C), the S.C. Department of Public Health 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 a final rule placing ethylphenidate (chemical name: ethyl 2-phenyl-2- (piperidin-2-yl)acetate), including its salts, isomers, and salts of isomers, in schedule I of the federal Controlled Substance Act ("CSA"), effective November 21, 2024. F.R. Volume 89, Number 204, pp. 84281-84286;

WHEREAS, the DEA has concluded that ethylphenidate has a high potential for abuse, no currently accepted medical use in treatment in the United States, and lack of accepted safety for use under medical supervision, and therefore be placed in schedule I of the CSA; and

THEREFORE, the Department of Public Health adopts the federal scheduling of ethylphenidate, including its salts, isomers, and salts of isomers into Schedule I of the South Carolina Controlled Substances Act:

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