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## PRESCRIPTIONS/DEA

House Staff are assigned the Vanderbilt Hospital DEA number plus an identifying suffix. The DEA number is to be used for **VUMC patients only**. The Vanderbilt DEA number is **not** to be used for patients seen at hospitals or clinics not owned or operated by VUMC, or for family members or friends with whom there is not a physician-patient relationship under the care of a member of the medical staff of VUMC with House Staff as a member of the current treating team. House Staff are not to self-prescribe.

For those House Staff who have a full, unrestricted Tennessee medical license and their own DEA number, a copy of their valid DEA certificate should be provided to the GME office. The House Staff may continue to use the institutional DEA for all practice at VUMC in which they are supervised by a VUMC faculty member, including internal moonlighting. The personal DEA number must be used for all external moonlighting, including that at VUMC if the House Staff is practicing independently.