

Important Notice – Pharmacy EPCS Registration

Pharmacies must register their certified *Electronic Prescribing of Controlled Substance* (EPCS) software application with the Department of Health, Bureau of Narcotic Enforcement (BNE), and renew every two years thereafter. The registration process is available **online** through the Health Commerce System (HCS). This online application is called ROPES: Registration for Official Prescriptions and E-prescribing Systems.

How to access ROPES and register EPCS Software:

1. Login to the Health Commerce System at <https://commerce.health.state.ny.us/>
2. Select "My Content" at the top of the page
3. Scroll down and select "All Applications"
4. Scroll over and select "R"
5. Scroll down and select "Registration for Official Prescription and e-Prescribing Systems (ROPES)"
6. Choose Pharmacy or Pharmacy Chain that needs to register software and click
7. Add Contact Information and click
8. Review Pharmacy & Contact Information, if correct click
9. Enter certified EPCS software information or select software from the dropdown menu
10. Enter Software Version
11. Read Attestation and click if you agree with the EPCS Attestation

Additional information regarding electronic prescribing of controlled substances may be found at the following link: http://www.health.ny.gov/professionals/narcotic/electronic_prescribing/

Should you have any questions about ROPES, please contact BNE by email at narcotic@health.ny.gov or by phone at 866-811-7957.