**Practicum Journal: Safe Prescribing**

In this Practicum Journal Assignment, you will explore the legalities associated with prescribing controlled substances, as well as what a DEA number is, how to obtain one, and, most importantly, how to prescribe controlled substances in your state (Maryland).

**Students will:**

* Analyze roles of the Drug Enforcement Administration
* Analyze PMHNP responsibilities when issued a DEA number
* Analyze DEA number application procedures
* Analyze state requirements for safe prescribing and prescription monitoring
* Analyze PMHNP responsibilities for safe prescribing and prescription monitoring
* Analyze Schedule II-V drug levels

**To prepare for this Practicum Journal:**

In 2-3 pages:

* Describe the role of the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) as it pertains to the PMHNP.
* Explain your responsibilities when having a DEA number.
* Explain how you apply for a DEA number.
* Explain your state’s requirements for a safe prescribing and prescription monitoring program. Explain your responsibility as a PMHNP to follow these requirements.
* Provide an example of a drug you may prescribe from each of the Schedule II-V drug levels.