

# Physician MEMO

To | All Medical Staff  
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Re | **New DEA Ruling on Carisoprodol**

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## PRACTICE ALERT

New DEA Ruling on Carisoprodol  
Effective 1/11/12

### Drug Enforcement Administration, [21 CFR Part 1308](#)

- The Drug Enforcement Administration has issued a final rule to place Carisoprodol ((Soma, Soprodal and Vanadom)) into Schedule IV of the Controlled Substance Act effective January 11, 2012. Thereafter, any person who engages in the manufacture, distribution, dispensing, importing, exporting, as well as any person who possesses the drug will be subject to the provisions of the Act and DEA regulations, including the Act's administrative, civil, and criminal sanctions which are applicable to schedule IV controlled substances.
- With the issuance of this final rule, the Administrator of the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) places the substance Carisoprodol, including its salts, isomers, and salts of isomers, whenever the existence of such salts, isomers, and salts of isomers is possible, into Schedule IV of the Controlled Substances Act (CSA).
- Per the above, this will also include Soma Compounds and its generics