

# Certification of Electronic Private Medical Prescriptions

The provisions of Royal Decree 1718/2010, on medical prescriptions and dispensing orders, states that private medical prescriptions, both in paper and electronic format, must incorporate security measures that guarantee their authenticity, the identity of the prescriber and his or her authorization for professional practice. The general councils of medical, dental and podiatry associations are responsible for introducing the necessary measures or systems to guarantee their authenticity and prevent fraud.



On 19th December 2019, the General Councils of the Official Associations of Doctors, Dentists, Podiatrists and Pharmacists signed a collaboration agreement establishing the bases, implementation, operation and governance of the Electronic Private Prescription System (Sistema de Receta Privada Electrónica). The result of which enables a private healthcare medicine prescribed electronically to be dispensed in any pharmacy office nationwide, developing for this purpose a certification scheme in which the requirements for the certification of Prescription Systems and Prescription Repositories are established.

## WHAT IS THE ROLE OF APPLUS IN THIS CERTIFICATION PROCESS?

Applus+ Certification is the entity that performs the certification audit for any organization that requires it. and can be approved in the OMC (Organización Mundial del Comercio) . We perform the checks to verify that the software used complies with a series of established requirements, leaving evidence of all the control points and the certification's requirements: document security and privacy, business continuity plan,



operations, disaster recovery plan or DRP, internal and external incident communication plan, and so on.

## WHAT ARE THE OBJECTIVES OF THIS CERTIFICATION?

- To homologate the system for issuing private medical electronic prescriptions
- To protect the information and guarantee its security
- To identify the risks derived from the storage of information
- To eliminate the possibilities of fraud

## BENEFITS

- To ability to attend to (and prescribe medication to) those outside of your locality
- Reduces travel and possible contagions
- Reduces physical consultations and their associated administrative costs
- Better protection of patient and medication information than with paper prescriptions

## WHO IS THIS CERTIFICATION AIMED AT?

Any company, regardless of its size or activity, that issues or will issue electronic medical prescriptions.

## WHY APPLUS+ CERTIFICATION?

Applus+ Certification has the technical profiles required by the OMC for this certification. We are an independent entity of recognized prestige that aims to help organizations achieve their commitment to continuous improvement. By analysing the needs of our clients, our auditors, specialists in each sector of activity, can provide a service that brings the maximum value when assessing the conformity of an organization. Our teams



develop specific certification plans based on our clients' structure, processes and activities. Our international presence, extensive product portfolio and wide range of accreditations enable us to provide a global, expert service tailored to each organization's needs.