Suggestion for Board of Nursing for Prescribers:

In response to COVID-19 and potential shortages of medications that may be effective against the virus such as hydroxychloroquine, prescribers should include the patient's diagnosis on the prescription. If written for a COVID-19 diagnosis, the diagnosis has been confirmed by a positive test result and documented on the prescription. Smaller quantities of hydroxychloroquine should be prescribed for COVID-19 patients when appropriate to prevent potential shortages.