Board of Pharmacy Update

Welcome to a monthly news roundup from the California State Board of Pharmacy. More information about news reported here is on the Board's website, www.pharmacy.ca.gov.

Recent news:

- The Board met July 29-30 via teleconference and heard reports from committee meetings held July 8-9 and other items of business. <u>Action items</u> are posted on the meetings page.
- The <u>California Law Update 2020</u>, a free continuing education webinar from the Board, is available. Links to the webinar, which covers important pharmacy laws enacted by the Legislature that took effect this year, can be found on the homepage and the <u>Law and</u> <u>Ethics Webinar</u> page.
- The Board has released a Notice of Proposed Action to add section 1717.5 to Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations related to automatic refill programs. The comment period for the proposed action ends August 31, 2020. Information is on the <u>Pending</u> <u>Regulations</u> page.
- The Board has approved a Pharmacy Law waiver related to the <u>staffing ratio of</u>
 <u>pharmacists to intern pharmacists and general supervision for immunizations</u>. In
 addition, the Board continues to extend some waivers and allow others to expire. Go
 online to check the status of <u>Pharmacy Law waivers</u> and learn <u>how to request a waiver</u>.

Coming up:

 The CPJE will be administered August 28 and 29. To schedule an exam date within your eligibility period, go to <u>candidate.psiexams.com</u> or call (877) 392-6422. Go to the Board's website for more <u>information about the CPJE and pharmacist licensure</u>.

A final word:

The California Department of Public Health (CDPH) has issued <u>updated guidance on COVID-19 testing</u>. The guidance outlines different tiers to help determine who should be tested, given the current context of the pandemic in California. The new guidance and other COVID-19 information are on the <u>CDPH website</u>. In addition, the Department of Consumer Affairs (CDA) has printed a <u>flyer</u> about testing priority that can be downloaded and placed in provider offices.

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