## Board of Pharmacy Update – January 2022

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, <u>www.pharmacy.ca.gov</u>.

## **Recent news:**

- The CPJE was administered December 10. <u>Test dates in 2022</u> are available. To schedule an exam date within your eligibility period, go to <u>psiexams.com</u> or call (877) 392-6422.
- The Board released a <u>Notice of Modified Text</u> to further amend section 1715.6 to Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations, related to Reporting Drug Losses. Documents related to the proposed regulatory action are posted under <u>Pending Regulations</u>.
- The Board released a <u>Notice of Modified Text</u> to further amend section 1715.65 to Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations, related to Inventory Reconciliation. Documents related to the proposed regulatory action are posted under <u>Pending Regulations</u>.
- The California Department of Justice (DOJ) <u>announced</u> a new vendor, Bamboo Health, will provide prescription data collection services for the Controlled Substance Utilization Review and Evaluation System (CURES). Bamboo Health's PMP Clearinghouse system will replace the current data collection vendor, Atlantic Associates Inc., effective 2/9/22. CURES users will receive instructions from Bamboo Health on the transition process and how to submit data to the PMP Clearinghouse. Additional information is posted on the <u>DOJ CURES website</u>.

## Coming up:

 Committee meetings are scheduled in January in advance of the Board's two-day meeting February 1-2, 2022. The Enforcement and Compounding and the Legislation and Regulation committees are set to meet January 18; the Licensing and the Communication and Public Education committees will meet January 19. Agendas and meeting materials for each committee will be posted online under <u>Board and</u> <u>Committee Meetings</u>.

## A final word:

- NEW LAWS FOR 2022: Be aware of <u>statutory changes in Pharmacy Law that take effect in</u> 2022. Information is available at <u>https://www.pharmacy.ca.gov/laws\_regs/new\_laws.pdf</u>.
- Also, a law requiring that most prescriptions issued by a health care provider to a California pharmacist be submitted electronically takes effect January 1, 2022. The Board has published information for licensees about the e-prescribing law in the <u>September 2021 issue of The Script</u> newsletter. Answers to frequently asked questions

about the new e-prescribing law are also posted online at Licensees > Important Information for Licensees > Frequently Asked Questions > E-Prescribing FAQs.

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