LEGISLATION REPORT

The legislative session started in December 2016, and the deadline to introduce bills was February 17, 2017. Key house of origin deadlines include:

- April 28, 2017: Last day for policy committees to hear and report to fiscal committees.
- May 12, 2017: Last day for policy committees to hear and report non-fiscal bills.
- May 26, 2017: Last day for fiscal committees to hear and report to the floor.
- June 2, 2017: Last day for bills to be passed out.

a. Board Sponsored Legislation

The board is sponsoring five measures this year. Details on each measure are below, and Attachment 1 includes a copy of the language for each proposal.

Omnibus Provisions
The board voted to pursue the following omnibus provisions:

- 4013 to amend (d)(1) to add designated representative to the list of individuals that need to join the email subscriber list.
- 4316 to clarify the board’s authority to issue a cease and desist for unlicensed activity and that the issuing of the order will be delegated to the executive officer.

These provisions will be included in the Senate Business, Professions and Economic Development proposal. The measure is not yet in print; however attachment 1 includes the draft statutory amendments.

SB 351 (Roth) Hospital Satellite Compounding Pharmacy: License: Requirements

Version: As amended April 4, 2017
Status: Senate Appropriations Committee hearing April 17, 2017
Summary: SB 351 creates options for hospitals that wish to obtain additional licenses from the board for purposes of providing pharmaceutical care. Specifically, this measure will allow the board to issue hospital satellite compounding pharmacy licenses that will not need to be located in the acute care hospital building. This measure will also allow the board to issue a hospital pharmacy license that can be located outside of the general acute care hospital.
SB 443 (Hernandez) Pharmacy: Emergency Medical Services Automated Drug Delivery System

**Version:** As introduced February 15, 2017

**Status:** Senate Business, Professions and Economic Development Committee hearing April 17, 2017

**Summary:** SB 443 creates an option for county emergency medical services to restock ambulances through use of an emergency medical services automated drug delivery system (EMADDS) that is located within a county operated fire department. As part of the measure, the board would issue a license for the use of the EMADDS and specify the conditions under which it may be used.

SB 510 (Stone) Pharmacies: Compounding

**Version:** As introduced February 16, 2017

**Status:** Referred to Assembly

**Summary:** SB 510 repeals an outdated statutory requirement specifying the environments in which a pharmacy must compound sterile products.

SB 752 (Stone) Designated Representative-Reverse Distributor

**Version:** As amended March 28, 2017

**Status:** Senate Business, Professions and Economic Development Committee hearing April 17, 2017

**Summary:** SB 752 establishes the creation of a designated representative license reverse distributor.

b. Legislation Impacting the Practice of Pharmacy or the Board’s Jurisdiction

**Attachment 2**

Below are measures identified by staff that impact either board operations or the board’s jurisdiction. Unless otherwise noted, details on each measure are below and **Attachment 2** includes a copy of the language for each proposal and a bill analysis.

1. **AB 12 (Cooley) State Government: Administrative Regulations: Review**

   **Version:** As introduced December 5, 2016

   **Status:** Assembly Appropriations Committee Suspense file

   **Summary:** AB 12 would require each state agency to, on or before January 1, 2020, review regulations; identify any regulations that are duplicative, overlapping, inconsistent or out of date; to revise those identified regulations, as provided; and report to the Legislature and Governor, as specified. The bill would repeal these provisions on January 1, 2021.

2. **AB 40 (Santiago) CURES Database: Health Information Technology System**

   **Version:** As introduced December 5, 2016

   **Status:** Public Safety Committee hearing April 25, 2017

   **Summary:** AB 40 would require the Department of Justice to make the electronic
history of controlled substances dispensed to an individual under a health care practitioner’s care, based on data contained in the CURES database, available to the practitioner through either an online internet web portal or an authorized health information technology system, as defined. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

3. **AB 182 (Waldron) Heroin and Opioid Public Education (HOPE) Act**
   - **Version:** As amended March 23, 2017
   - **Status:** Assembly Appropriations Committee Suspense file
   - **Summary:** As amended requires the Department of Health Care Services (department) to develop and implement an education campaign (HOPE) to combat the growing heroin and opioid medication epidemic in California in consultation with stakeholders. The measure includes some of the information that must be used as part of the campaign as well as targeted audiences. The department would also be required to submit a report on at least an annual basis summarizing its activities and assessment of the effectiveness of the program.

4. **AB 208 (Eggman) Deferred Entry of Judgment: Pretrial Diversion**
   - **Version:** As amended March 8, 2017
   - **Status:** Assembly Appropriations Committee Suspense file
   - **Summary:** Changes the deferred entry of judgment program to a pretrial program. Expands the conditions under which someone would be eligible for the program and reduces the conditions under which someone could be removed from the program. Reduces the length of the program compliance to 6 – 12 months and prohibits information sharing once someone is in the program.

5. **AB 241 (Dababneh) Personal Information: Privacy: State and Local Agency Breach**
   - **Version:** As introduced January 20, 2017
   - **Status:** Assembly Appropriations Committee hearing April 5, 2017
   - **Summary:** Would require an agency, in this case DCA, to offer identity theft prevention and mitigation services for at least 12 months to a person when the individual is impacted by a security breach of data caused by the agency.

6. **AB 265 (Wood) Prescription Drugs: Prohibition on Price Discount**
   - **Version:** As amended March 27, 2017
   - **Status:** Assembly Health Committee hearing April 18, 2017
   - **Summary:** Would prohibit a manufacturer from providing a discount, rebate or other price inducement if a lower cost brand name or non-brand name prescription drug is therapeutically equivalent. Specifies that this prohibition does not apply to drugs required under an FDA REMS.

7. **AB 315 (Wood) Pharmacy Benefits Management**
   - **Version:** As amended April 5, 2017
   - **Status:** Assembly Business and Professions Committee hearing April 18, 2017
Summary: Establishes regulatory framework for PBMs. As part of this framework, PBMs would be licensed by the board.

Board Position: The board established a support position on a prior version of this bill measure.

8. AB 401 (Aguiar-Curry) Pharmacy: Remote Dispensing Site Pharmacy: Telepharmacy
   Version: As amended March 21, 2017
   Status: Referred to Assembly Appropriations Committee
   Summary: Establishes regulatory framework for telepharmacy.

9. AB 444 (Ting) Medical Waste: Home-Generated Sharps Waste
   Version: As introduced February 13, 2017
   Status: Assembly Environmental Safety and Toxic Materials Committee hearing scheduled for April 25, 2017
   Summary: Would extend the time period a sharp container that is ready for disposal can be held to 14 days.

10. AB 602 (Bonta) Pharmacy: Nonprescription Diabetes Devices
    Version: As amended March 28, 2017
    Status: Referred to Assembly Appropriations Committee
    Summary: Would require pharmacies that dispense nonprescription diabetes test devices pursuant to a prescription to retain records, require the board to post the names of authorized distributors of such test strips and make it unprofessional conduct for a licensee to seek reimbursement for such devices under specified conditions.

11. AB 703 (Flora) Professions and Vocations: Licenses: Fee Waivers
    Version: As introduced February 15, 2017
    Status: Referred to Assembly Business and Professions Committee
    Summary: Would require the board to grant a fee waiver for application and issuance of a license to a military spouse if the individual is licensed in another jurisdiction.

12. AB 710 (Wood) Department of Consumer Affairs
    Version: As Amended March 27, 2017
    Status: Referred to Assembly Business and Professions Committee
    Summary: Would require a board to meet, at least once every other calendar year in rural northern California.

13. AB 767 (Quirk-Silva) Master Business License
    Version: As Introduced February 15, 2017
    Status: Referred to A-J., E.D. & E
    Summary: Would create a business license center within the Governor’s Office of Business and Economic Development that shall be responsible for administering a master business license system to simplify the process of engaging in business in this state.
14. AB 827 (Rubio) Department of Consumer Affairs: Task Force: Foreign-Trained Professionals Information  
   **Version:** As amended April 3, 2017  
   **Status:** Referred to Assembly Appropriations Committee  
   **Summary:** Would require DCA to establish a task force to study and issue a report regarding licensing of foreign trained professionals into the state’s workforce.

15. AB 835 (Dababneh) Consumer Affairs  
   **Version:** As amended March 27, 2017  
   **Status:** Referred to Assembly Business and Business.  
   **Summary:** Would specify that any person selling any fraudulent, forged, fictitious or counterfeited license is guilty of a misdemeanor.

16. AB 845 (Wood) Cannabidiol  
   **Version:** As amended March 28, 2017  
   **Status:** Assembly Health Committee hearing April 18, 2017  
   **Summary:** Would, if consistent with federal law, authorize prescribing and dispensing a controlled substances prescription that contains cannabidiol.

17. AB 912 (Obernolte) Small Business: California Small Business Regulatory Fairness Act  
   **Version:** As amended April 5, 2017  
   **Status:** Assembly Accountability and Administrative Review Committee hearing April 26, 2017  
   **Summary:** Would require a state agency to provide assistance to a small business in achieving compliance with laws and assist the business during an enforcement action. It would also require the state agency to establish a policy to waive civil penalties under specified conditions.

18. AB 1005 (Calderon) Department of Consumer Affairs  
   **Version:** As introduced February 16, 2017  
   **Status:** Referred to Assembly Business and Professions Committee  
   **Summary:** Would require OPES to conduct an occupational analysis of every profession and vocation within the DCA with an examination to determine if the examination should be offered in languages other than English.

19. AB 1048 (Arambula) Health Facilities: Pain Management  
   **Version:** As amended March 21, 2017  
   **Status:** Assembly Business and Professions Committee hearing April 18, 2017  
   **Summary:** Would authorize a pharmacist to dispense a partial fill of a Schedule II drug if requested by the patient or the prescribing physician.
20. **AB 1159 (Chiu) Professions and Vocations: Healing Arts Local Governments**
   This bill was amended and no longer applies to the board so neither a copy of the measure nor an analysis is provided.

21. **AB 1589 (Salas) Pharmacy: Pharmacist Supervision: Technicians**
   **Version:** As introduced February 17, 2017
   **Status:** Referred to Assembly Business and Professions Committee
   **Summary:** Would require the board to review the pharmacist-to-pharmacy technician ratio on a biennial basis and would require the board to provide a report to the Legislature with recommendations if the board decides a change is necessary.

22. **SB 17 (Hernandez) Prescription Drugs: Pricing: Notification**
   **Version:** As amended March 14, 2017
   **Status:** Senate Health Committee hearing April 19, 2017
   **Summary:** Aimed at drug price transparency by establishing reporting requirements for prescription drugs cost and volume for health plans and reporting requirements for drug manufacturers regarding rate increases.

23. **SB 27 (Morrell) Professions and Vocations: Licenses: Military Service**
   **Version:** As introduced December 5, 2016
   **Status:** Senate Veterans Affairs Committee hearing April 25, 2017
   **Summary:** Would require every board within the Department of Consumer Affairs to grant a fee waiver for the application for and the issuance of an initial license to an applicant who supplies satisfactory evidence, as defined, to the board that the applicant has served as an active duty member of the California National Guard or the United States Armed Forces and was honorably discharged. The bill would require that a veteran be granted only one fee waiver, except as specified.

24. **SB 70 (Bates) Health Care Professionals**
   This bill was amended and no longer applies to the board. As such neither a copy of the measure nor an analysis is provided.

25. **SB 212 (Jackson) Medical Waste**
   **Version:** As introduced February 1, 2017
   **Status:** Senate Environmental Quality Committee hearing March 29, 2017
   **Summary:** Would amend the existing definition of “home generated pharmaceutical waste” to include prescription and over-the-counter human or veterinary home-generated pharmaceutical.

26. **SB 419 (Portantino) Oxycodone: Prescriptions**
   **Version:** As amended March 20, 2017
   **Status:** Withdrawn from Senate Business, Professions and Economic Development Committee on March 21, 2017.
   **Summary:** Would prohibit a person from prescribing oxycodone to a patient under 21
years of age.

27. SB 496 (De Leon) Department of Consumer Affairs: Regulatory Boards: Removal of Board Members
   This bill was amended and no longer applies to the board so neither a copy of the measure nor an analysis is provided.

28. SB 528 (Stone) Pharmacy
   **Version:** As amended March 28, 2017
   **Status:** Referred to Senate Business, Professions and Economic Development Committee
   **Summary:** Would allow a pharmacy to provide pharmacy services to outpatients in an entity covered under Section 340B through the use of an automated drug dispensing system (ADDS) under specified conditions.

29. SB 555 (Morrell) Regulations: 5-Year Review and Report
   **Version:** As introduced February 16, 2017
   **Status:** Senate Governmental Organization Committee failed passage. Reconsideration granted.
   **Summary:** Would require a state agency to provide a report five years after the date a regulation is adopted or amended to address specific elements, including the effectiveness of the regulation in achieving the objective, consistency of the regulation with state and federal law, enforcement provisions, a summary of written criticisms of the regulation, cost impact and future actions that may be taken by the agency.

30. SB 572 (Stone) Healing Arts Licensees: Violations: Grace Period
   **Version:** As amended March 27, 2017
   **Status:** Senate Business, Professions and Economic Development Committee Hearing April 17, 2017
   **Summary:** Would prohibit boards from taking disciplinary action against, or otherwise penalizing, a healing arts licensee who violates provisions but corrects the violations with 15 days if the violations do not cause irreparable harm.

31. SB 641 (Lara) Controlled Substance Utilization Review and Evaluation System: Privacy
   **Version:** As amended March 28, 2017
   **Status:** Senate Public Safety Committee hearing April 18, 2017
   **Summary:** Would limit the conditions under which a law enforcement or regulatory board may access CURES and would establish a multidisciplinary advisory committee to assist, advise and make recommendations for the establishment of rules and regulations necessary to insure the proper administration and enforcement of the CURES database.

32. SB 716 (Hernandez) California State Board of Pharmacy
   **Version:** As Amended March 23, 2017
Status: Withdrawn from Senate Business, Professions and Economic Development Committee

Summary: Would increase the number of board members to 14 by adding one pharmacy technician member who would be appointed by the Governor.

IV. Regulations for Discussion and Consideration
   a. Board Adopted - Approved by the Office of Administrative Law

1. Regulations Amending Title 16 CCR section 1744 Related to Drug Warnings

   Timeline:
   Approved by Board: April 21, 2015
   Rulemaking Initiated: September 25, 2015
   Adopted by Board: July 27, 2016
   Submitted to DCA: August 17, 2016
   Submitted to OAL: December 20, 2016
   Approved by OAL: January 31, 2017
   Effective: April 1, 2017

   Summary of Regulation:
   This amended regulation implements the provisions contained in AB 1136 (Levine, Chapter 304, Statutes of 2013) to include a written warning label on the prescription container and update the drug classes requiring the written warning label.

   A copy of the adopted regulation text is provided in Attachment 3.

2. Regulations Amending Title 16 CCR section 1707.5 Related to Patient-Centered Labels

   Timeline:
   Approved by Board: January 28, 2015
   Rulemaking Initiated: October 23, 2015
   Adopted by Board: August 31, 2016
   Submitted to DCA: September 21, 2016
   Submitted to OAL: January 19, 2017
   Approved by OAL: March 3, 2017
   Effective: July 1, 2017

   Summary of Regulation:
   This regulation modifies the patient-centered labeling requirements to include “generic for” on the prescription label. Additionally, the regulation was amended to include policies and procedures in place to provide translation services for patients with limited or no English proficiency.
A copy of the adopted text is provided in Attachment 4.

3. Regulations Amending Title 16 CCR sections 1732.05, 1732.2 and 1732.5 Related to Continuing Education

Timeline:
Approved by Board: October 29, 2015
Rulemaking Initiated: November 13, 2015
Adopted by Board: September 22, 2016
Submitted to DCA: October 3, 2016
Submitted to OAL: February 3, 2017
Approved by OAL: March 20, 2017
Effective: July 1, 2017

Summary of Regulation:
This regulation amends the board’s continuing education (CE) requirements. Specifically, the amended regulation will grant CE credits for serving on a committee developing the California Practice Standards and Jurisprudence Examination (CPJE), and for attending board or committee meetings. Additionally, the regulation defines a specialized subject area necessary to meet the CE hour renewal requirement.

A copy of the adopted text is provided in Attachment 5.

b. Board Adopted - Submitted for Administrative Review to the Department of Consumer Affairs or the Office of Administrative Law

1. Proposed Regulations to Amend and/or Add Title 16 CCR sections 1702, 1702.1, 1702.2 and 1702.5 Related to Renewal Requirements

Timeline:
Approved by Board: July 30, 2013
Rulemaking Initiated: August 12, 2016
Adopted by Board: December 14, 2016
Submitted to DCA: February 7, 2017
Submitted to OAL: Pending

Summary of Regulation:
This regulation establishes standardized reporting of convictions and discipline at the time of renewal for pharmacists, pharmacy technicians and designated representatives, as well as requires nonresident wholesalers and nonresident pharmacies to report disciplinary actions by other entities at the time of renewal.

A copy of the adopted text is provided in Attachment 6.
2. **Proposed Regulations to Add Title 16 CCR sections 1776 et seq. Related to Prescription Drug Take-Back**

**Timeline:**
Approved by Board: January 19, 2016  
Rulemaking Initiated: February 12, 2016  
Adopted by Board: October 26, 2016  
Submitted to DCA: December 12, 2016  
Submitted to OAL: Pending

**Summary of Regulation:**
This regulation establishes the regulatory requirements for prescription drug take-back programs offered by pharmacies, hospitals/clinics with onsite pharmacies, distributors and reverse distributors licensed by the board.

A copy of the adopted text is provided in **Attachment 7**.

3. **Proposed Regulations to Amend Title 16 CCR section 1703 Related to Delegation of Certain Functions**

**Timeline:**
Approved by Board: February 24, 2016  
Rulemaking Initiated: April 22, 2016  
Adopted by Board: July 27, 2016  
Submitted to DCA: October 27, 2016  
Submitted to OAL: Pending

**Summary of Regulation:**
This regulation updates the functions delegated to the executive officer including the authority to adopt regulation changes that are deemed to be “without regulatory effect” in accordance with Title 1 CCR section 100 and the authority to approve prescription label waivers in accordance with Business and Professions Code section 4076.5(d).

A copy of the adopted regulation text is provided in **Attachment 8**.

4. **Proposed Regulations to Add Title 16 CCR section 1746.5 Related to Travel Medications**

**Timeline:**
Approved by Board: June 3, 2015  
Rulemaking Initiated: September 25, 2015  
Adopted by Board: April 27, 2016  
Submitted to DCA: May 29, 2016  
Submitted to OAL: November 10, 2016
Summary of Regulation:
This regulation establishes the requirements and training for pharmacists to furnish travel medications not requiring a diagnosis.

A copy of the adopted regulation text is provided in Attachment 9.

c. Board Adopted – Rulemaking File Being Prepared by Staff for Submission and Review by the Department of Consumer Affairs or the Office of Administrative Law:

Proposed Regulations to Amend Title 16 CCR section 1760 Related to the Board’s Disciplinary Guidelines

Timeline:
Approved by Board: July 29, 2015
Rulemaking Initiated: September 4, 2015
Adopted by Board: April 27, 2016
Submitted to DCA: August 4, 2016
Submitted to OAL: November 30, 2016
Disapproved by OAL: January 13, 2017
Modified Text Approved by Board: February 17, 2017
Re-Submitted to DCA: Pending
Re-Submitted to OAL: Pending

Summary of Regulation:
This regulation updates the board’s disciplinary guidelines that are incorporated by reference. The updated disciplinary guidelines incorporate changes to pharmacy law that occurred between October 2007 and July 2015 and to implement SB 1441 (Ridley-Thomas, Chapter 548, Statutes of 2008).

Following the approval of the modified disciplinary guidelines on February 17, 2017, a 15-day comment period was held. As no negative comments were received during this 15-day comment period, the guidelines do not need to be returned to the board. Board staff is currently drafting the final rulemaking documents for resubmission to OAL.

A copy of the final adopted text is provided in Attachment 10. Additionally, the revised disciplinary guidelines can be found on the board’s website: http://www.pharmacy.ca.gov/laws_regs/1760_mdg.pdf
d. Board Approved to Initiate Rulemaking – Undergoing Pre-Notice Review by the Department of Consumer Affairs or the Business, Consumer Services and Housing Agency:

1. Proposed Regulations to Amend Title 16 CCR section 1749 Related to the Board’s Fee Schedule

   **Timeline:**
   Approved by Board: October 26, 2016
   Submitted to DCA for Pre-Notice Review: November 4, 2016
   Rulemaking Initiated: Pending
   Adopted by Board: Pending
   Submitted to DCA: Pending
   Submitted to OAL: Pending

   **Summary of Regulation:**
   This regulation updates the board’s fee schedule in regulation to be consistent with updates made to the Board’s fees in Business and Professions Code section 4400 as a result of SB 1039 (Hill, Chapter 799, Statutes of 2016).

   A copy of the approved regulation language is provided in **Attachment 11**.

2. Proposed Regulations to Amend Title 16 CCR Sections 1780-1783, et seq. Related to Third-Party Logistics Providers and Dangerous Drug Distributors

   **Timeline:**
   Approved by Board: October 26, 2016
   Submitted to DCA for Pre-Notice Review: February 9, 2017
   Rulemaking Initiated: Pending
   Adopted by Board: Pending
   Submitted to DCA: Pending
   Submitted to OAL: Pending

   **Summary of Regulation:**
   This regulation establishes the regulatory framework for third-party logistics providers.

   A copy of the approved regulation language is provided in **Attachment 12**.

3. Proposed Regulations to Amend Title 16 CCR section 1793.5 Related to the Pharmacy Technician Application, section 1793.6 Related to the Pharmacy Technician Training Requirements and section 1793.65 Related to the Pharmacy Technician Certification Programs
Timeline:
Approved by Board: October 26, 2016
Submitted to DCA for Pre-Notice Review: January 23, 2017
Rulemaking Initiated: Pending
Adopted by Board: Pending
Submitted to DCA: Pending
Submitted to OAL: Pending

Summary of Regulation:
This regulation establishes the training requirements and certification programs, as well as updates the application for licensure of a pharmacy technician.

A copy of the approved regulation language is provided in Attachment 13.

4. Proposed Regulations to Amend Title 16 CCR Section 1735.2 Related to the Compounding Self-Assessment Form 17M-39

Timeline:
Approved by Board: December 14, 2016
Submitted to DCA for Pre-Notice Review: February 3, 2017
Rulemaking Initiated: Pending
Adopted by Board: Pending
Submitted to DCA: Pending
Submitted to OAL: Pending

Summary of Regulation:
This regulation updates the Self-Assessment form 17M-39 (rev. 10/16) as incorporated by reference in Title 16 CCR section 1735.2.

A copy of the approved regulation language and the Self-Assessment form is provided in Attachment 14.

5. Proposed Regulations to Amend Title 16 CCR sections 1715 and 1784 to Update Self-Assessment Forms 17M-13, 17M-14 and 17M-26

Timeline:
Approved by Board: October 27, 2016
Submitted to DCA for Pre-Notice Review: January 20, 2017
Rulemaking Initiated: Pending
Adopted by Board: Pending
Submitted to DCA: Pending
Submitted to OAL: Pending

Summary of Regulation:
This regulation updates the Self-Assessment forms 17M-13 (rev. 10/16), 17M-14
(rev. 10/16), and 17M-26 (rev. 10/16) as incorporated by reference in Title 16 CCR sections 1715 and 1784.

A copy of the approved regulation language and the Self-Assessment forms are provided in Attachment 15.

6. Proposed Regulations to Amend Title 16 CCR section 1709 Related to Pharmacy Ownership, Management, and Control, Including through Trusts

Timeline:
Approved by Board: October 27, 2016
Submitted to DCA for Pre-Notice Review: January 26, 2017
Rulemaking Initiated: Pending
Adopted by Board: Pending
Submitted to DCA: Pending
Submitted to OAL: Pending

Summary of Regulation:
This regulation amends the board’s regulations regarding ownership to include provisions relating to trust ownership of pharmacies.

A copy of the approved regulation language is provided in Attachment 16.

e. Board Approved to Initiate Rulemaking – Board Staff Drafting Rulemaking Documents for Pre-Notice Review by the Department of Consumer Affairs and the Business, Consumer Services and Housing Agency

1. Proposed Regulations to Amend Title 16 CCR section 1707 Related to Offsite Storage

Timeline:
Approved by Board: January 24, 2017
Submitted to DCA for Pre-Notice Review: Pending
Rulemaking Initiated: Pending
Adopted by Board: Pending
Submitted to DCA: Pending
Submitted to OAL: Pending

Summary of Regulation:
This regulation amends the board’s regulations regarding the waiver requirements for off-site storage of records to allow those cited for a records violation the ability to receive a waiver to store records off-site. Board staff is currently compiling the initial rulemaking file to submit to DCA for pre-notice review.

A copy of the approved regulation language is provided in Attachment 17.
2. Proposed Regulations to Amend Title 16 CCR section 1735.1 and 1735.6 Related to Compounding

**Timeline:**
Approved by Board: January 24, 2017
Submitted to DCA for Pre-Notice Review: Pending
Rulemaking Initiated: Pending
Adopted by Board: Pending
Submitted to DCA: Pending
Submitted to OAL: Pending

**Summary of Regulation:**
This regulation amends the board’s regulations regarding compounding to allow the use of a double filtration system. Board staff is currently compiling the initial rulemaking file to submit to DCA for pre-notice review.

A copy of the approved regulation language is provided in **Attachment 18.**
Attachment 1
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DATE SUBMITTED:  January 27, 2017

SUMMARY:  Amendment to BPC 4013(d)(1)

IDENTIFICATION OF PROBLEM:  The board inadvertently excluded one individual licensing category, designated representative, from the list of individuals required to join.  (Note:  Designated representatives were appropriately included in the list of individuals required to update the e-mail notification within 30 days of a change in email address as required in Section 4013(d)(2).)

PROPOSED SOLUTION:  Amend Section BPC 4013(d)(1) to include designated representative in the list of licensees required to register with the board’s email subscriber list.

PROGRAM BACKGROUND & LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:  Last year BPC section 4013 was amended as part of the provisions in SB 1193 to require individuals licensed with the board to join the board’s e-mail notification list within 60 days of license issuance or at the time of renewal.  Further, the section also requires such individuals to update the notification list within 30 days of a change in licensee’s email address.

JUSTIFICATION:
The board uses its email notification system as a quick an efficient way to communicate with licensees.  The inadvertent inclusion of the designated representative means such individuals will not receive such information from the board unless the voluntarily join.  Further, absent this amendment a conflict will exist in the section in that a designated representative will not be required to join, but will be required to update a change within 30 days.

ARGUMENTS PRO & CON:
PRO:  This ensures designated representatives will receive information disseminated by the board and removes a conflict within the section.

CON:  The board has not identified any.

PROBABLE SUPPORT & OPPOSITION:
The board is not aware of any support or opposition as this change is very straightforward and noncontroversial.

FISCAL IMPACT:
ECONOMIC IMPACT:
None

FINDINGS FROM OTHER STATES:
None

PROPOSED TEXT (use underline & strikeout):
Amend Section 4013 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

4013.
(a) Any facility licensed by the board shall join the board’s email notification list within 60 days of obtaining a license or at the time of license renewal.
(b) Any facility licensed by the board shall update its email address with the board’s email notification list within 30 days of a change in the facility’s email address.
(c) An owner of two or more facilities licensed by the board may comply with subdivisions (a) and (b) by subscribing a single email address to the board’s email notification list, where the owner maintains an electronic notice system within all of its licensed facilities that, upon receipt of an email notification from the board, immediately transmits electronic notice of the same notification to all of its licensed facilities. If an owner chooses to comply with this section by using such an electronic notice system, the owner shall register the electronic notice system with the board by July 1, 2011, or within 60 days of initial licensure, whichever is later, informing the board of the single email address to be utilized by the owner, describing the electronic notice system, and listing all facilities to which immediate notice will be provided. The owner shall update its email address with the board’s email notification list within 30 days of any change in the owner’s email address.
(d) (1) Each pharmacist, intern pharmacist, pharmacy technician, designated representative, designated representative-3PL licensed in this state shall join the board’s email notification list within 60 days of obtaining a license or at the time of license renewal.
(2) Each pharmacist, intern pharmacist, pharmacy technician, designated representative, and designated representative-3PL licensed in this state shall update his or her email address with the board’s email notification list within 30 days of a change in the licensee’s email address.
(3) The email address provided by a licensee shall not be posted on the board’s online license verification system.
(4) The board shall, with each renewal application, remind licensees of their obligation to report and keep current their email address with the board’s email notification list.
(5) This subdivision shall become operative on July 1, 2017.
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DATE SUBMITTED:  January 27, 2017

SUMMARY:  Amendment to BPC Section 4316

IDENTIFICATION OF PROBLEM:  Following enactment of SB 1193, staff identified items in the new section 4316 provision needing clarification including establishing who issues a cease and desist for unlicensed activity as well as clarifying the conditions under which it can be issued.  Further, inconsistent use of the terms “facility” and “pharmacy” result in not all facilities having full appeal rights.

PROPOSED SOLUTION:  Amend Section BPC 4316 to authorize the executive officer to issue a cease and desist (as is done in other areas of pharmacy law e.g., BPC 4127.3).  Further amend this section to clarify that all facilities are entitled to a review of a decision not just a pharmacy owner as part of the appeal process and provide additional clarity to the condition under which the board can issue a cease and desist.

PROGRAM BACKGROUND & LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:  Last year, one provision contained in the board’s sunset bill, SB 1193 (Hill), provided the board with the ability to issue a cease and desist order to an unlicensed entity operating within the board’s regulatory jurisdiction without a license.

JUSTIFICATION:  Until this year, the board lacked the ability to issue a cease and desist order when a facility was operating without a license.  The board inadvertently failed to include in the language that the cease and desist order is issued by the executive officer.  This change is important to ensure the separation of duties between the board itself as the final decision maker and the board’s staff who are responsible for investigating and seeking discipline.  Further the board wants to ensure that all facilities issued a cease and desist have full appeal rights and an understanding of when the board may issue a cease and desist order for unlicensed activity.

ARGUMENTS PRO & CON:  
PRO:  This ensures the board details the appropriate authority vested in the executive officer to issue a cease and desist ensuring a separation of duties between the board itself and the executive officer.

CON:  The board has not identified any.

PROBABLE SUPPORT & OPPOSITION:  The board is not aware of any support or opposition.
FISCAL IMPACT:
None

ECONOMIC IMPACT:
None

FINDINGS FROM OTHER STATES:
None

PROPOSED TEXT (use underline & strikeout):
Amend Section 4316 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

4316.

(a) The board, through its executive offer, is authorized to issue a cease and desist order for operating any facility under this chapter that requires licensure or for practicing any activity under this chapter that requires licensure without obtaining such licensure.

(b) Whenever the board issues a cease and desist order pursuant to subdivision (a), the board shall immediately issue the facility a notice setting forth the acts or omissions with which it is charged, specifying the pertinent code section or sections and any regulations.

(c) The order shall provide that the facility, within 15 days of receipt of the notice, may request a hearing before the president of the board to contest the cease and desist order. Consideration of the facility’s contest of the cease and desist order shall comply with the requirements of Section 11425.10 of the Government Code. The hearing shall be held no later than five days from the date the request of the owner is received by the board. The president shall render a written decision within five days of the hearing. In the absence of the president of the board, the vice president of the board may conduct the hearing permitted by this subdivision. Review of the decision of the president of the board may be sought by the owner or person in possession or control of the pharmacy facility pursuant to Section 1094.5 of the Code of Civil Procedure.
SECTION 1. Section 4029 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

4029. (a) "Hospital pharmacy" means and includes a pharmacy, licensed by the board, located within any licensed hospital, institution, or establishment that maintains and operates organized facilities for the diagnosis, care, and treatment of human illnesses to which persons may be admitted for overnight stay and that meets all of the requirements of this chapter and the rules and regulations of the board.

(b) A hospital pharmacy also includes a pharmacy that may be located outside of the hospital in another physical plant that is regulated under a hospital's consolidated license issued pursuant to Section 1250.8 as a general acute care hospital as defined in subdivision (a) of Section 1250 of the Health and Safety Code. As a condition of licensure by the board, the pharmacy in another physical plant shall provide pharmaceutical services only to registered hospital patients who are on the premises of the same physical plant in which the pharmacy is located, except as provided in Article 7.6 (commencing with Section 4128). The pharmacy services provided shall be directly related to the services or treatment plan administered in the physical plant. Nothing in this subdivision shall be construed to restrict or expand the services that a hospital pharmacy may provide.

(c) "Hospital satellite compounding pharmacy" means an area licensed by the board to perform sterile compounding that is separately licensed by the board pursuant to Section 4127.15 to perform that compounding and is located outside of the hospital in another physical plant that is regulated as a general acute care hospital as defined in subdivision (a) of Section 1250 of the Health and Safety Code.

SEC. 2. Section 4127.15 is added to the Business and Professions Code, to read:

4127.15. Subject to the requirements of this section, the board may issue a license to a hospital satellite compounding pharmacy. The license fee and annual renewal fee shall be in an amount established by the board in subdivision (u) of Section 4400. The license shall not be transferable.

(a) A hospital satellite compounding pharmacy license shall not be issued or renewed until the location is inspected by the board and found to be in compliance with this article and regulations adopted by the board.

(1) A hospital satellite compounding pharmacy shall compound sterile drug products for administration only to registered hospital patients who are on the premises of the same physical plant in which the hospital satellite compounding pharmacy is located.

(2) The services provided shall be directly related to the services or treatment plan administered in the physical plant.

(b) A hospital satellite compounding pharmacy license shall not be issued or renewed until the board does all of the following:

(1) Reviews a current copy of the hospital satellite compounding pharmacy’s policies and procedures for sterile compounding.

(2) Reviews the hospital satellite compounding pharmacy’s completed self-assessment form as described in Section 1735.2 of Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations.

(3) Receives a list of all products compounded by the hospital satellite compounding pharmacy since the last license renewal.

(c) A hospital satellite compounding pharmacy shall do all of the following:

(1) Purchase, procure, or otherwise obtain all components through the license of the hospital pharmacy as defined in subdivision (a) of Section 4029.

(2) Satisfy the ratio of not less than one pharmacist on duty for a total of two pharmacy technicians on duty.

(3) Ensure immediate supervision, as defined in Section 70065 of Title 22 of the California Code of Regulations, by a pharmacist of licensed ancillary staff involved in sterile compounding.
(4) Provide to the board, within 12 hours, any recall notice issued by the hospital satellite compounding pharmacy for sterile drug products it has compounded.

(5) Report to the board, within 12 hours, adverse effects reported or potentially attributable to the sterile drug products compounded by the hospital satellite compounding pharmacy. Unexpected adverse effects shall also be, within 12 hours, reported to the MedWatch program of the federal Food and Drug Administration.

SEC. 3. Section 4400 of the Business and Professions Code, as added by Section 26 of Chapter 799 of the Statutes of 2016, is amended to read:

4400. The amount of fees and penalties prescribed by this chapter, except as otherwise provided, is that fixed by the board according to the following schedule:

(a) The fee for a nongovernmental pharmacy license shall be five hundred twenty dollars ($520) and may be increased to five hundred seventy dollars ($570). The fee for the issuance of a temporary nongovernmental pharmacy permit shall be two hundred fifty dollars ($250) and may be increased to three hundred twenty-five dollars ($325).

(b) The fee for a nongovernmental pharmacy license annual renewal shall be six hundred sixty-five dollars ($665) and may be increased to nine hundred thirty dollars ($930).

(c) The fee for the pharmacist application and examination shall be two hundred sixty dollars ($260) and may be increased to two hundred eighty-five dollars ($285).

(d) The fee for regrading an examination shall be ninety dollars ($90) and may be increased to one hundred fifteen dollars ($115). If an error in grading is found and the applicant passes the examination, the regrading fee shall be refunded.

(e) The fee for a pharmacist license shall be one hundred ninety-five dollars ($195) and may be increased to two hundred fifteen dollars ($215). The fee for a pharmacist biennial renewal shall be three hundred sixty dollars ($360) and may be increased to five hundred five dollars ($505).

(f) The fee for a nongovernmental wholesaler or third-party logistics provider license and annual renewal shall be seven hundred eighty dollars ($780) and may be increased to eight hundred twenty dollars ($820). The application fee for any additional location after licensure of the first 20 locations shall be three hundred dollars ($300) and may be decreased to no less than two hundred twenty-five dollars ($225). A temporary license fee shall be seven hundred fifteen dollars ($715) and may be decreased to no less than five hundred fifty dollars ($550).

(g) The fee for a hypodermic license shall be one hundred seventy dollars ($170) and may be increased to two hundred forty dollars ($240). The fee for a hypodermic license renewal shall be two hundred dollars ($200) and may be increased to two hundred eighty dollars ($280).

(h) (1) The fee for application, investigation, and issuance of a license as a designated representative pursuant to Section 4053, or as a designated representative-3PL pursuant to Section 4053.1, shall be one hundred fifty dollars ($150) and may be increased to two hundred ten dollars ($210).

(2) The fee for the annual renewal of a license as a designated representative or designated representative-3PL shall be two hundred fifteen dollars ($215) and may be increased to three hundred dollars ($300).

(i) (1) The fee for the application, investigation, and issuance of a license as a designated representative for a veterinary food-animal drug retailer pursuant to Section 4053 shall be one hundred fifty dollars ($150) and may be increased to two hundred ten dollars ($210).

(2) The fee for the annual renewal of a license as a designated representative for a veterinary food-animal drug retailer shall be two hundred fifteen dollars ($215) and may be increased to three hundred dollars ($300).

(j) (1) The application fee for a nonresident wholesaler or third-party logistics provider license issued pursuant to Section 4161 shall be seven hundred eighty dollars ($780) and may be increased to eight hundred twenty dollars ($820).
(2) For nonresident wholesalers or third-party logistics providers that have 21 or more facilities operating nationwide the application fees for the first 20 locations shall be seven hundred eighty dollars ($780) and may be increased to eight hundred twenty dollars ($820). The application fee for any additional location after licensure of the first 20 locations shall be three hundred dollars ($300) and may be decreased to no less than two hundred twenty-five dollars ($225). A temporary license fee shall be seven hundred fifteen dollars ($715) and may be decreased to no less than five hundred fifty dollars ($550).

(3) The annual renewal fee for a nonresident wholesaler license or third-party logistics provider license issued pursuant to Section 4161 shall be seven hundred eighty dollars ($780) and may be increased to eight hundred twenty dollars ($820).

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(k) The fee for evaluation of continuing education courses for accreditation shall be set by the board at an amount not to exceed forty dollars ($40) per course hour.

(l) The fee for an intern pharmacist license shall be one hundred sixty-five dollars ($165) and may be increased to two hundred thirty dollars ($230). The fee for transfer of intern hours or verification of licensure to another state shall be twenty-five dollars ($25) and may be increased to thirty dollars ($30).

(m) The board may waive or refund the additional fee for the issuance of a license where the license is issued less than 45 days before the next regular renewal date.

(n) The fee for the reissuance of any license, or renewal thereof, that has been lost or destroyed or reissued due to a name change shall be thirty-five dollars ($35) and may be increased to forty-five dollars ($45).

(o) The fee for the reissuance of any license, or renewal thereof, that must be reissued because of a change in the information, shall be one hundred dollars ($100) and may be increased to one hundred thirty dollars ($130).

(p) It is the intent of the Legislature that, in setting fees pursuant to this section, the board shall seek to maintain a reserve in the Pharmacy Board Contingent Fund equal to approximately one year’s operating expenditures.

(q) The fee for any applicant for a nongovernmental clinic license shall be five hundred twenty dollars ($520) for each license and may be increased to five hundred seventy dollars ($570). The annual fee for renewal of the license shall be three hundred twenty-five dollars ($325) for each license and may be increased to three hundred sixty dollars ($360).

(r) The fee for the issuance of a pharmacy technician license shall be one hundred forty dollars ($140) and may be increased to one hundred ninety-five dollars ($195). The fee for renewal of a pharmacy technician license shall be one hundred forty dollars ($140) and may be increased to one hundred ninety-five dollars ($195).

(s) The fee for a veterinary food-animal drug retailer license shall be four hundred thirty-five dollars ($435) and may be increased to six hundred ten dollars ($610). The annual renewal fee for a veterinary food-animal drug retailer license shall be three hundred thirty dollars ($330) and may be increased to four hundred sixty dollars ($460).

(t) The fee for issuance of a retired license pursuant to Section 4200.5 shall be thirty-five dollars ($35) and may be increased to forty-five dollars ($45).

(u) The fee for issuance of a nongovernmental sterile compounding pharmacy license or a hospital satellite compounding pharmacy shall be one thousand six hundred forty-five dollars ($1,645) and may be increased to two thousand three hundred five dollars ($2,305). The fee for a temporary license shall be five hundred fifty dollars ($550) and may be increased to seven hundred fifteen dollars ($715). The annual renewal fee of the license shall be one thousand three hundred twenty-five dollars ($1,325) and may be increased to one thousand eight hundred fifty-five dollars ($1,855).

(v) The fee for issuance of a nonresident sterile compounding pharmacy license shall be two thousand three hundred eighty dollars ($2,380) and may be increased to three thousand three hundred thirty-five dollars ($3,335). The annual renewal of the license shall be two thousand two hundred seventy dollars ($2,270) and may be increased to three thousand one hundred eighty dollars ($3,180). In addition to paying that application fee, the nonresident sterile compounding pharmacy shall deposit, when submitting the application, a reasonable amount, as determined by the board, necessary to cover the board’s estimated cost of performing the inspection required by Section 4127.2. If the required deposit is not submitted with the application, the application shall be deemed to be incomplete. If the actual cost of the inspection exceeds the amount deposited, the board shall provide to the
applicant a written invoice for the remaining amount and shall not take action on the application until the full amount has been paid to the board. If the amount deposited exceeds the amount of actual and necessary costs incurred, the board shall remit the difference to the applicant.

(w) The fee for the issuance of an outsourcing facility license shall be two thousand two hundred seventy dollars ($2,270) and may be increased to up to three thousand one hundred eighty dollars ($3,180) by the board. The fee for the renewal of an outsourcing facility license shall be one thousand three hundred thirty-five dollars ($1,335) and may be increased to up to one thousand eight hundred fifty-five dollars ($1,855) by the board. The fee for a temporary outsourcing facility license shall be seven hundred fifteen dollars ($715).

(x) The fee for the issuance of a nonresident outsourcing facility license shall be two thousand three hundred eighty dollars ($2,380) and may be increased to up to three thousand three hundred thirty-five dollars ($3,335) by the board. The fee for the renewal of a nonresident outsourcing facility license shall be two thousand two hundred seventy dollars ($2,270) and may be increased to up to three thousand one hundred eighty dollars ($3,180) by the board. In addition to paying the application fee, the nonresident outsourcing facility shall deposit, when submitting the application, a reasonable amount, as determined by the board, necessary to cover the board’s estimated cost of performing the inspection required by Section 4129.2. If the required deposit is not submitted with the application, the application shall be deemed to be incomplete. If the actual cost of the inspection exceeds the amount deposited, the board shall provide to the applicant a written invoice for the remaining amount and shall not take action on the application until the full amount has been paid to the board. If the amount deposited exceeds the amount of actual and necessary costs incurred, the board shall remit the difference to the applicant.

(y) The fee for the issuance of a centralized hospital packaging license shall be eight hundred twenty dollars ($820) and may be increased to one thousand one hundred fifty dollars ($1,150). The annual renewal of the license shall be eight hundred five dollars ($805) and may be increased to one thousand one hundred twenty-five dollars ($1,125).

(z) This section shall become operative on July 1, 2017.

sec. 4. No reimbursement is required by this act pursuant to Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution because the only costs that may be incurred by a local agency or school district will be incurred because this act creates a new crime or infraction, eliminates a crime or infraction, or changes the penalty for a crime or infraction, within the meaning of Section 17556 of the Government Code, or changes the definition of a crime within the meaning of Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution.
SENATE BILL
No. 443

Introduced by Senator Hernandez

February 15, 2017

An act to amend Section 4119 of, and to add Section 4034.5 to, the Business and Professions Code, relating to pharmacy.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

SB 443, as introduced, Hernandez. Pharmacy: emergency medical services automated drug delivery system.

Existing law, the Pharmacy Law, provides for the licensing and regulation of the practice of pharmacy by the California State Board of Pharmacy, which is within the Department of Consumer Affairs, and makes any violation of the Pharmacy Law punishable as a crime. Existing law authorizes a pharmacy to furnish a dangerous drug or a dangerous device to licensed health care facility for storage in a secured emergency pharmaceutical supplies container maintained within the facility or to an approved service provider within an emergency medical services system for storage in a secured emergency pharmaceutical supplies container if certain policies and procedures are met.

This bill would authorize a pharmacy or wholesaler to furnish dangerous drugs or dangerous devices into an emergency medical services automated drug delivery system, as defined, located within a county operated fire department if specified conditions are met, including that the county fire department obtain a license from the board to operate the system, and requires dangerous drugs and dangerous devices stored or maintained in an emergency medical services automated drug delivery system to be used for the sole purpose of restocking a secured emergency pharmaceutical supplies container. The bill would provide that a violation of these provisions constitutes unprofessional conduct and would authorize the board to take action
against the license of the fire department. By expanding the scope of an existing crime, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.


The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 4119 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

4119. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a pharmacy may furnish a dangerous drug or dangerous device to a licensed health care facility for storage in a secured emergency pharmaceutical supplies container maintained within the facility in accordance with facility regulations of the State Department of Public Health set forth in Title 22 of the California Code of Regulations and the requirements set forth in Section 1261.5 of the Health and Safety Code. These emergency supplies shall be approved by the facility’s patient care policy committee or pharmaceutical service committee and shall be readily available to each nursing station. Section 1261.5 of the Health and Safety Code limits the number of oral dosage form or suppository form drugs in these emergency supplies to 48.

(b) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a pharmacy may furnish a dangerous drug or a dangerous device to an approved service provider within an emergency medical services system for storage in a secured emergency pharmaceutical supplies container, in accordance with the policies and procedures of the local emergency medical services agency, if all of the following are met:

(1) The dangerous drug or dangerous device is furnished exclusively for use in conjunction with services provided in an ambulance, or other approved emergency medical services service provider, that provides prehospital emergency medical services.

(2) The requested dangerous drug or dangerous device is within the licensed or certified emergency medical technician’s scope of
practice as established by the Emergency Medical Services Authority and set forth in Title 22 of the California Code of Regulations.

(3) The approved service provider within an emergency medical services system provides a written request that specifies the name and quantity of dangerous drugs or dangerous devices.

(4) The approved emergency medical services provider administers dangerous drugs and dangerous devices in accordance with the policies and procedures of the local emergency medical services agency.

(5) The approved emergency medical services provider documents, stores, and restocks dangerous drugs and dangerous devices in accordance with the policies and procedures of the local emergency medical services agency.

Records of each request by, and dangerous drugs or dangerous devices furnished to, an approved service provider within an emergency medical services system, shall be maintained by both the approved service provider and the dispensing pharmacy for a period of at least three years.

The furnishing of controlled substances to an approved emergency medical services provider shall be in accordance with the California Uniform Controlled Substances Act (Division 10 (commencing with Section 11000) of the Health and Safety Code).

(c) (1) Notwithstanding any other law, a pharmacy or wholesaler may furnish dangerous drugs or dangerous devices into an emergency medical services automated drug delivery system (EMSADDS) located within a county operated fire department. Dangerous drugs and dangerous devices stored or maintained in an EMSADDS shall be used for the sole purpose of restocking a secured emergency pharmaceutical supplies container as authorized in subdivision (b). The EMSADDS may be used only if all of the following conditions are met:

(A) The county fire department obtains a license from the board to operate the EMSADDS on the premise of a fire station. A separate license shall be required for each location. As part of its license application, the county shall provide the address of the fire station, the name of the county medical director responsible for overseeing the emergency medical services system, the name of the designated pharmacist, the policies and procedures detailing
the provisions under which the EMSADDS will operate, and the
name and license number of the pharmacy or wholesaler that will
furnish the dangerous drugs and dangerous devices.

(B) Each EMSADDS shall collect, control, and maintain all
transaction information necessary to accurately track the
movement of drugs into and out of the system for purposes of
security, accuracy, and accountability.

(C) The county medical director and designated pharmacist
shall develop, adopt, and maintain policies and procedures
detailing the provisions under which the EMSADDS will operate.
At a minimum, the policies and procedures shall address (i)
inventory controls, (ii) training, (iii) storage and security of the
dangerous drugs and dangerous devices, and (iv) safeguards to
limit access to the EMSADDS to only authorized staff.

(D) A pharmacist shall stock and inventory the dangerous drugs
and dangerous devices in EMSADDS.

(E) The designated pharmacist shall review, on a monthly basis,
the operation of the EMSADDS for compliance with inventory
controls specified in the policies and procedures.

(F) The county medical director and designated pharmacist
shall be jointly responsible for monthly review of the county fire
department’s training, storage, and security of dangerous drugs
and dangerous devices and the restocking procedures, including,
but not limited to, a review of the use of EMSADDS records to
verify that only authorized staff, as provided for in this section,
access and remove dangerous drugs and dangerous devices from
the EMSADDS.

(G) The county fire department shall limit access to the
EMSADDS to only employees of the county that are licensed by
the state as paramedics or pharmacists or to the fire department’s
medical director.

(H) A record of each access to the EMSADDS shall be
maintained for at least three years in a readily retrievable form.
The records shall include the identity of the licensed paramedic
or pharmacist or the fire department’s medical director who
accessed the system as well as the drug, dosage, form, and quantity
removed.

(2) A violation of any of the provisions of this subdivision shall
constitute unprofessional conduct and provides the board the
authority to take action against the county fire department’s license
for the EMSADDS.

SEC. 2. Section 4034.5 is added to the Business and Professions
Code, to read:

4034.5. An “emergency medical services automated drug
delivery system” or “EMSADDS” means an automated drug
delivery system that stores and distributes drugs for the sole
purpose of restocking a secured emergency pharmaceutical supplies
container that is used by an emergency medical services agency
to provide emergency medical services.

SEC. 3. No reimbursement is required by this act pursuant to
Section 6 of Article XIIIB of the California Constitution because
the only costs that may be incurred by a local agency or school
district will be incurred because this act creates a new crime or
infraction, eliminates a crime or infraction, or changes the penalty
for a crime or infraction, within the meaning of Section 17556 of
the Government Code, or changes the definition of a crime within
the meaning of Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California
Constitution.
An act to amend and renumber Sections 4127.8 and 4127.9 of, and to repeal Section 4127.7 of, the Business and Professions Code, relating to healing arts.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

SB 510, as introduced, Stone. Pharmacies: compounding.
Under the Pharmacy Law, the California State Board of Pharmacy licenses and regulates the practice of pharmacy by pharmacists and pharmacy corporations in this state. That law prohibits a pharmacy from compounding sterile drug products unless the pharmacy has obtained a sterile compounding pharmacy license from the board. That law requires a pharmacy to compound sterile products from one or more nonsterile ingredients in prescribed environments.
This bill would repeal that compounding environment provision and make conforming renumbering changes to other provisions.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 4127.7 of the Business and Professions Code is repealed.
4127.7. A pharmacy shall compound sterile products from one or more nonsterile ingredients in one of the following environments:
(a) An ISO class 5 laminar airflow hood within an ISO class 7 cleanroom. The cleanroom must have a positive air pressure differential relative to adjacent areas.

(b) An ISO class 5 cleanroom.

(c) A barrier isolator that provides an ISO class 5 environment for compounding.

SEC. 2. Section 4127.8 of the Business and Professions Code is amended and renumbered to read:

4127.8.

4127.7 The board may, at its discretion, issue a temporary license to compound sterile drug products upon the conditions and for any periods of time as the board determines to be in the public interest. A temporary license fee shall be required in an amount established by the board as specified in subdivision (u) of Section 4400. When needed to protect public safety, a temporary license may be issued for a period not to exceed 180 days, and may be issued subject to terms and conditions the board deems necessary. If the board determines a temporary license was issued by mistake or denies the application for a permanent license, the temporary license shall terminate upon either personal service of the notice of termination upon the licenseholder or service by certified mail, return receipt requested at the licenseholder’s address of record with the board, whichever comes first. Neither for purposes of retaining a temporary license nor for purposes of any disciplinary or license denial proceeding before the board shall the temporary licenseholder be deemed to have a vested property right or interest in the license.

SEC. 3. Section 4127.9 of the Business and Professions Code is amended and renumbered to read:

4127.9.

4127.8 (a) A pharmacy licensed pursuant to Section 4127.1 or 4127.2 that issues a recall notice regarding a sterile compounded drug shall, in addition to any other duties, contact the recipient pharmacy, prescriber, or patient of the recalled drug and the board as soon as possible within 12 hours of the recall notice if both of the following apply:

1. Use of or exposure to the recalled drug may cause serious adverse health consequences or death.

2. The recalled drug was dispensed, or is intended for use, in this state.
(b) A recall notice issued pursuant to subdivision (a) shall be made as follows:

1. If the recalled drug was dispensed directly to the patient, the notice shall be made to the patient.
2. If the recalled drug was dispensed directly to the prescriber, the notice shall be made to the prescriber, who shall ensure the patient is notified.
3. If the recalled drug was dispensed directly to a pharmacy, the notice shall be made to the pharmacy, who shall notify the prescriber or patient, as appropriate. If the pharmacy notifies the prescriber, the prescriber shall ensure the patient is notified.
SENATE BILL  No. 752

Introduced by Senator Stone

February 17, 2017

An act to amend Section 25207.3 of the Health and Safety Code, relating to hazardous waste. An act to amend Sections 4022.5, 4040.5, 4059.5, 4100, 4160, 4331, and 4400 of, and to add Sections 4022.6 and 4053.2 to, the Business and Professions Code, relating to healing arts.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST


The Pharmacy Law provides for the licensure and regulation of pharmacists and other persons involved in the handling, storage, sale, or disposal of drugs and devices by the California State Board of Pharmacy in the Department of Consumer Affairs. That law requires a person acting as a reverse distributor to be licensed by the board as a wholesaler and supervised or managed by a designated representative or pharmacist, as specified. A violation of that law is a crime, unless otherwise provided.

This bill would authorize a wholesaler that only acts as a reverse distributor to operate under the supervision of a designated representative-reverse distributor, as an alternative to operating under the supervision of a designated representative or pharmacist, and would provide for the separate licensure of individuals as designated representative-reverse distributors upon application, payment of an application fee, and completion of certain requirements. The bill would make related and conforming changes, including requiring designated representative-reverse distributors and designated representative-3PLs
to notify the executive officer of the board of a change of name or address. The bill would specify that persons who act as agents for pharmacies or other entities by receiving, inventorying, warehousing, and managing the disposition of outdated or nonsaleable dangerous devices are reverse distributors. By modifying the scope of a crime, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.

Existing law authorizes a county to develop and establish a program for the collection of banned, unregistered, or outdated agricultural waste from an eligible participant. Existing law requires a county participating in the program to conduct a survey to identify all eligible participants in the county to assess the amount, kind, and condition of the banned, unregistered, or outdated agricultural waste that will be collected by the program.

This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to the survey provision.


The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 4022.5 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

4022.5. (a) “Designated representative” means an individual to whom a license has been granted pursuant to Section 4053. A pharmacist fulfilling the duties of Section 4053 shall not be required to obtain a license as a designated representative.

(b) “Designated representative-in-charge” means a designated representative or designated representative-reverse distributor; or a pharmacist proposed by a wholesaler or veterinary food-animal drug retailer and approved by the board as the supervisor or manager responsible for ensuring the wholesaler’s or veterinary food-animal drug retailer’s compliance with all state and federal laws and regulations pertaining to practice in the applicable license category.
SEC. 2. Section 4022.6 is added to the Business and Professions Code, to read:

4022.6. “Designated representative-reverse distributor” means an individual to whom a license has been granted pursuant to Section 4053.2, who is responsible for supervision over a licensed wholesaler that only acts as a reverse distributor. A pharmacist fulfilling the duties of Section 4053.2 shall not be required to obtain a license as a designated representative-reverse distributor.

SEC. 3. Section 4040.5 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

4040.5. “Reverse distributor” means every person who acts as an agent for pharmacies, drug wholesalers, third-party logistics providers, manufacturers, and other entities by receiving, inventorying, warehousing, and managing the disposition of outdated or nonsaleable dangerous drugs or dangerous devices.

SEC. 4. Section 4053.2 is added to the Business and Professions Code, to read:

4053.2. (a) Notwithstanding Sections 4051 and 4053, the board may issue a designated representative-reverse distributor license to a qualified individual who shall provide sufficient and qualified supervision over a licensed wholesaler that only acts as a reverse distributor. The designated representative-reverse distributor shall protect the public health and safety in the handling, storage, warehousing, and destruction of outdated or nonsaleable dangerous drugs and dangerous devices.

(b) An individual who is at least 18 years of age may apply for a designated representative-reverse distributor license. In order to obtain and maintain that license, the individual shall meet all of the following requirements:

(1) He or she shall be a high school graduate or possess a general education development certificate equivalent.

(2) He or she shall meet one of the following requirements:

(A) Have a minimum of one year of paid work experience in the past three years with a licensed wholesaler, third-party logistics provider, or pharmacy performing duties related to the distribution, dispensing, or destruction of dangerous drugs or dangerous devices.
(B) Have a minimum of one year of paid work experience in the
destruction of outdated or nonsaleable dangerous drugs or
dangerous devices pharmaceutical waste.
(C) Meet all of the prerequisites to take the examination required
for licensure as a pharmacist by the board.
(3) (A) He or she shall complete a training program approved
by the board that, at a minimum, addresses each of the following
subjects:
   (i) Knowledge and understanding of California law and federal
       law relating to the distribution of dangerous drugs and dangerous
       devices.
   (ii) Knowledge and understanding of California law and federal
       law relating to the distribution of controlled substances.
   (iii) Knowledge and understanding of California law and federal
       law relating to the removal and destruction of dangerous drugs,
dangerous devices, and pharmaceutical waste.
   (iv) Knowledge and understanding of the United States
       Pharmacopoeia or federal Food and Drug Administration
       standards relating to the safe storage, handling, and transport of
dangerous drugs and dangerous devices.
(B) The board may, by regulation, require the training program
required under this paragraph to include additional material.
(C) The board shall not issue a license as a designated
representative-reverse distributor until the applicant provides
proof of completion of the training required by this paragraph to
the board.
(c) A reverse distributor shall not operate without at least one
designated representative or designated representative-reverse
distributor present at each of its licensed places of business as
required under Section 4160.
SEC. 5. Section 4059.5 of the Business and Professions Code
is amended to read:
4059.5. (a) Except as otherwise provided in this chapter,
dangerous drugs or dangerous devices may only be ordered by an
entity licensed by the board and shall be delivered to the licensed
premises and signed for and received by a pharmacist. Where a
licensee is permitted to operate through a designated representative,
or in the case of a reverse distributor a designated
representative-reverse distributor, that individual shall sign for
and receive the delivery.
(b) A dangerous drug or dangerous device transferred, sold, or delivered to a person within this state shall be transferred, sold, or delivered only to an entity licensed by the board, to a manufacturer, or to an ultimate user or the ultimate user’s agent.

(c) Notwithstanding subdivisions (a) and (b), deliveries to a hospital pharmacy may be made to a central receiving location within the hospital. However, the dangerous drugs or dangerous devices shall be delivered to the licensed pharmacy premises within one working day following receipt by the hospital, and the pharmacist on duty at that time shall immediately inventory the dangerous drugs or dangerous devices.

(d) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a dangerous drug or dangerous device may be ordered by and provided to a manufacturer, physician, dentist, podiatrist, optometrist, veterinarian, naturopathic doctor pursuant to Section 3640.7, or laboratory, or a physical therapist acting within the scope of his or her license. A person or entity receiving delivery of a dangerous drug or dangerous device, or a duly authorized representative of the person or entity, shall sign for the receipt of the dangerous drug or dangerous device.

(e) A dangerous drug or dangerous device shall not be transferred, sold, or delivered to a person outside this state, whether foreign or domestic, unless the transferor, seller, or deliverer does so in compliance with the laws of this state and of the United States and of the state or country to which the dangerous drugs or dangerous devices are to be transferred, sold, or delivered. Compliance with the laws of this state and the United States and of the state or country to which the dangerous drugs or dangerous devices are to be delivered shall include, but not be limited to, determining that the recipient of the dangerous drugs or dangerous devices is authorized by law to receive the dangerous drugs or dangerous devices.

(f) Notwithstanding subdivision (a), a pharmacy may take delivery of dangerous drugs and dangerous devices when the pharmacy is closed and no pharmacist is on duty if all of the following requirements are met:

(1) The drugs are placed in a secure storage facility in the same building as the pharmacy.
(2) Only the pharmacist-in-charge or a pharmacist designated by the pharmacist-in-charge has access to the secure storage facility after dangerous drugs or dangerous devices have been delivered.

(3) The secure storage facility has a means of indicating whether it has been entered after dangerous drugs or dangerous devices have been delivered.

(4) The pharmacy maintains written policies and procedures for the delivery of dangerous drugs and dangerous devices to a secure storage facility.

(5) The agent delivering dangerous drugs and dangerous devices pursuant to this subdivision leaves documents indicating the name and amount of each dangerous drug or dangerous device delivered in the secure storage facility.

The pharmacy shall be responsible for the dangerous drugs and dangerous devices delivered to the secure storage facility. The pharmacy shall also be responsible for obtaining and maintaining records relating to the delivery of dangerous drugs and dangerous devices to a secure storage facility.

SEC. 6. Section 4100 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

4100. (a) Within 30 days after changing his or her address of record with the board or after changing his or her name according to law, a pharmacist, intern pharmacist, technician, designated representative, designated representative-3PL, or designated representative-reverse distributor shall notify the executive officer of the board of the change of address or change of name.

(b) This section shall become operative on January 1, 2006.

SEC. 7. Section 4160 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

4160. (a) A person shall not act as a wholesaler or third-party logistics provider of any dangerous drug or dangerous device unless he or she has obtained a license from the board.

(b) Upon approval by the board and the payment of the required fee, the board shall issue a license to the applicant.

(c) (1) A separate license shall be required for each place of business owned or operated by a wholesaler or third-party logistics provider. Each place of business may only be issued a single license by the board, except as provided in paragraph (2). Each license shall be renewed annually and shall not be transferable. At all
times during which a place of business is open for business, at
least one designated representative, in the case of a wholesaler, or
designated representative-3PL in the case of a third-party logistics
provider, shall be present. A wholesaler that only acts as a reverse
distributor may use either a designated representative or a
designated representative-reverse distributor to fulfill this
requirement.
(2) A wholesaler and a third-party logistics provider under
common ownership may be licensed at the same place of business
provided that all of the following requirements are satisfied:
(A) The wholesaler and the third-party logistics provider each
separately maintain the records required under Section 4081.
(B) Dangerous drugs and dangerous devices owned by the
wholesaler are not commingled with the dangerous drugs and
dangerous devices handled by the third-party logistics provider.
(C) Any individual acting as a designated representative for the
wholesaler is not concurrently acting as a designated
representative-3PL on behalf of the third-party logistics provider.
Nothing in this subparagraph shall be construed to prohibit an
individual from concurrently holding a license to act as a
designated representative and to act as a designated
representative-3PL.
(D) The wholesaler has its own designated
representative-in-charge responsible for the operations of the
wholesaler and the third-party logistics provider has its own
responsible manager responsible for the operations of the
third-party logistics provider. The same individual shall not
concurrently serve as the responsible manager and the designated
representative-in-charge for a wholesaler and a third-party logistics
provider licensed at the same place of business.
(E) The third-party logistics provider does not handle the
prescription drugs or prescription devices owned by a prescriber.
(F) The third-party logistics provider is not a reverse third-party
logistics provider.
(G) The wholesaler is not acting as a reverse distributor.
(d) Every wholesaler shall be supervised or managed by a
designated representative-in-charge. The designated
representative-in-charge shall be responsible for the wholesaler’s
compliance with state and federal laws governing wholesalers. As
part of its initial application for a license, and for each renewal,
each wholesaler shall, on a form designed by the board, provide
identifying information and the California license number for a
designated representative or pharmacist proposed to serve as the
designated representative-in-charge. The proposed designated
representative-in-charge shall be subject to approval by the board.
The board shall not issue or renew a wholesaler license without
identification of an approved designated representative-in-charge
for the wholesaler. The designated representative-in-charge shall
maintain an active license as a designated representative with the
board at all times during which he or she is designated as the
designated representative-in-charge. A wholesaler that only acts
as a reverse distributor may identify and allow a designated
representative-reverse distributor to perform in this capacity. That
individual shall maintain an active license as a designated
representative-reverse distributor.

(e) Each place of business of a third-party logistics provider
shall be supervised and managed by a responsible manager. The
responsible manager shall be responsible for the compliance of
the place of business with state and federal laws governing
third-party logistics providers and with the third-party logistics
provider’s customer specifications, except where the customer’s
specifications conflict with state or federal laws. As part of its
initial application for a license, and for each renewal, each
third-party logistics provider shall, on a form designated by the
board, provide identifying information and the California license
number for a designated representative-3PL proposed to serve as
the responsible manager. The proposed responsible manager shall
be subject to approval by the board. The board shall not issue or
renew a third-party logistics provider license without identification
of an approved responsible manager for the third-party logistics
provider. The responsible manager shall maintain an active license
as a designated representative-3PL with the board at all times
during which he or she is designated as the responsible manager.

(f) A wholesaler shall notify the board in writing, on a form
designed by the board, within 30 days of the date when a
designated representative-in-charge ceases to act as the designated
representative-in-charge, and shall on the same form propose
another designated representative or pharmacist authorized licensee
to take over as the designated representative-in-charge. The
proposed replacement designated representative-in-charge shall
be subject to approval by the board. If disapproved, the wholesaler shall propose another replacement within 15 days of the date of disapproval, and shall continue to name proposed replacements until a designated representative-in-charge is approved by the board.

(g) A third-party logistics provider shall notify the board in writing, on a form designed by the board, within 30 days of the date when a responsible manager ceases to act as the responsible manager, and shall on the same form propose another designated representative-3PL to take over as the responsible manager. The proposed replacement responsible manager shall be subject to approval by the board. If disapproved, the third-party logistics provider shall propose another replacement within 15 days of the date of disapproval, and shall continue to name proposed replacements until a responsible manager is approved by the board.

(h) A drug manufacturer premises licensed by the Food and Drug Administration or licensed pursuant to Section 111615 of the Health and Safety Code that only distributes dangerous drugs and dangerous devices of its own manufacture is exempt from this section and Section 4161.

(i) The board may issue a temporary license, upon conditions and for periods of time as the board determines to be in the public interest. A temporary license fee shall be required in an amount established by the board as specified in subdivision (f) of Section 4400. When needed to protect public safety, a temporary license may be issued for a period not to exceed 180 days, subject to terms and conditions that the board deems necessary. If the board determines that a temporary license was issued by mistake or denies the application for a permanent license, the temporary license shall terminate upon either personal service of the notice of termination upon the licenseholder or service by certified mail, return receipt requested, at the licenseholder’s address of record with the board, whichever occurs first. Neither for purposes of retaining a temporary license, nor for purposes of any disciplinary or license denial proceeding before the board, shall the temporary licenseholder shall not be deemed to have a vested property right or interest in the license.

SEC. 8. Section 4331 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:
4331. (a) A person who is not a pharmacist, a designated representative in charge, or a designated representative and authorized under this chapter who takes charge of a wholesaler or veterinary food-animal drug retailer or who dispenses a prescription or furnishes dangerous devices, except as otherwise provided in this chapter, is guilty of a misdemeanor.

(b) A person who is not a responsible manager or a designated representative-3PL who takes charge of a third-party logistics provider or coordinates the warehousing or distribution of dangerous drugs or dangerous devices within a third-party logistics provider, except as otherwise provided in this chapter, is guilty of a misdemeanor.

(c) A person licensed as a veterinary food-animal drug retailer that fails to place in charge of that veterinary food-animal drug retailer a pharmacist or designated representative, or any person who, by himself or herself, or by any other person, permits the dispensing of prescriptions, except by a pharmacist or designated representative, or as otherwise provided in this chapter, is guilty of a misdemeanor.

(d) A person licensed as a wholesaler that fails to place in charge of that wholesaler a pharmacist or designated representative, or any person who, by himself or herself, or by any other person, permits the furnishing of dangerous drugs or dangerous devices, except by a pharmacist or designated representative, or as otherwise provided in this chapter, is guilty of a misdemeanor.

(e) A person licensed as a third-party logistics provider that fails to place in charge of a licensed place of business of the third-party logistics provider a responsible manager, or any person who, by himself or herself, or by any other person, permits the furnishing of dangerous drugs or dangerous devices, except by a facility manager, or as otherwise provided in this chapter, is guilty of a misdemeanor.

SEC. 9. Section 4400 of the Business and Professions Code, as added by Section 26 of Chapter 799 of the Statutes of 2016, is amended to read:

4400. The amount of fees and penalties prescribed by this chapter, except as otherwise provided, is that fixed by the board according to the following schedule:

(a) The fee for a nongovernmental pharmacy license shall be five hundred twenty dollars ($520) and may be increased to five
hundred seventy dollars ($570). The fee for the issuance of a temporary nongovernmental pharmacy permit shall be two hundred fifty dollars ($250) and may be increased to three hundred twenty-five dollars ($325).

(b) The fee for a nongovernmental pharmacy license annual renewal shall be six hundred sixty-five dollars ($665) and may be increased to nine hundred thirty dollars ($930).

(c) The fee for the pharmacist application and examination shall be two hundred sixty dollars ($260) and may be increased to two hundred eighty-five dollars ($285).

(d) The fee for regrading an examination shall be ninety dollars ($90) and may be increased to one hundred fifteen dollars ($115). If an error in grading is found and the applicant passes the examination, the regrading fee shall be refunded.

(e) The fee for a pharmacist license shall be one hundred ninety-five dollars ($195) and may be increased to two hundred fifteen dollars ($215). The fee for a pharmacist biennial renewal shall be three hundred sixty dollars ($360) and may be increased to five hundred dollars ($505).

(f) The fee for a nongovernmental wholesaler or third-party logistics provider license and annual renewal shall be seven hundred eighty dollars ($780) and may be increased to eight hundred twenty dollars ($820). The application fee for any additional location after licensure of the first 20 locations shall be three hundred dollars ($300) and may be decreased to no less than two hundred twenty-five dollars ($225). A temporary license fee shall be seven hundred fifteen dollars ($715) and may be decreased to no less than five hundred fifty dollars ($550).

(g) The fee for a hypodermic license shall be one hundred seventy dollars ($170) and may be increased to two hundred forty dollars ($240). The fee for a hypodermic license renewal shall be two hundred dollars ($200) and may be increased to two hundred eighty dollars ($280).

(h) (1) The fee for application, investigation, and issuance of a license as a designated representative pursuant to Section 4053, or as a designated representative-3PL pursuant to Section 4053.1, or as a designated representative-reverse distributor pursuant to Section 4053.2 shall be one hundred fifty dollars ($150) and may be increased to two hundred ten dollars ($210).
(2) The fee for the annual renewal of a license as a designated representative, designated representative-3PL, or designated representative-3PL representative-reverse distributor shall be two hundred fifteen dollars ($215) and may be increased to three hundred dollars ($300).

(i) (1) The fee for the application, investigation, and issuance of a license as a designated representative for a veterinary food-animal drug retailer pursuant to Section 4053 shall be one hundred fifty dollars ($150) and may be increased to two hundred ten dollars ($210).

(2) The fee for the annual renewal of a license as a designated representative for a veterinary food-animal drug retailer shall be two hundred fifteen dollars ($215) and may be increased to three hundred dollars ($300).

(j) (1) The application fee for a nonresident wholesaler or third-party logistics provider license issued pursuant to Section 4161 shall be seven hundred eighty dollars ($780) and may be increased to eight hundred twenty dollars ($820).

(2) For nonresident wholesalers or third-party logistics providers that have 21 or more facilities operating nationwide the application fees for the first 20 locations shall be seven hundred eighty dollars ($780) and may be increased to eight hundred twenty dollars ($820). The application fee for any additional location after licensure of the first 20 locations shall be three hundred dollars ($300) and may be decreased to no less than five hundred fifty dollars ($550).

(3) The annual renewal fee for a nonresident wholesaler license or third-party logistics provider license issued pursuant to Section 4161 shall be seven hundred eighty dollars ($780) and may be increased to eight hundred twenty dollars ($820).

(k) The fee for evaluation of continuing education courses for accreditation shall be set by the board at an amount not to exceed forty dollars ($40) per course hour.

(l) The fee for an intern pharmacist license shall be one hundred sixty-five dollars ($165) and may be increased to two hundred thirty dollars ($230). The fee for transfer of intern hours or verification of licensure to another state shall be twenty-five dollars ($25) and may be increased to thirty dollars ($30).
(m) The board may waive or refund the additional fee for the issuance of a license where the license is issued less than 45 days before the next regular renewal date.

(n) The fee for the reissuance of any license, or renewal thereof, that has been lost or destroyed or reissued due to a name change shall be thirty-five dollars ($35) and may be increased to forty-five dollars ($45).

(o) The fee for the reissuance of any license, or renewal thereof, that must be reissued because of a change in the information, shall be one hundred dollars ($100) and may be increased to one hundred thirty dollars ($130).

(p) It is the intent of the Legislature that, in setting fees pursuant to this section, the board shall seek to maintain a reserve in the Pharmacy Board Contingent Fund equal to approximately one year’s operating expenditures.

(q) The fee for any applicant for a nongovernmental clinic license shall be five hundred twenty dollars ($520) for each license and may be increased to five hundred seventy dollars ($570). The annual fee for renewal of the license shall be three hundred twenty-five dollars ($325) for each license and may be increased to three hundred sixty dollars ($360).

(r) The fee for the issuance of a pharmacy technician license shall be one hundred forty dollars ($140) and may be increased to one hundred ninety-five dollars ($195). The fee for renewal of a pharmacy technician license shall be one hundred forty dollars ($140) and may be increased to one hundred ninety-five dollars ($195).

(s) The fee for a veterinary food-animal drug retailer license shall be four hundred thirty-five dollars ($435) and may be increased to six hundred ten dollars ($610). The annual renewal fee for a veterinary food-animal drug retailer license shall be three hundred thirty dollars ($330) and may be increased to four hundred sixty dollars ($460).

(t) The fee for issuance of a retired license pursuant to Section 4200.5 shall be thirty-five dollars ($35) and may be increased to forty-five dollars ($45).

(u) The fee for issuance of a nongovernmental sterile compounding pharmacy license shall be one thousand six hundred forty-five dollars ($1,645) and may be increased to two thousand three hundred five dollars ($2,305). The fee for a temporary license
shall be five hundred fifty dollars ($550) and may be increased to
seven hundred fifteen dollars ($715). The annual renewal fee of
the license shall be one thousand three hundred twenty-five dollars
($1,325) and may be increased to one thousand eight hundred
fifty-five dollars ($1,855).
(v) The fee for the issuance of a nonresident sterile compounding
pharmacy license shall be two thousand three hundred eighty
dollars ($2,380) and may be increased to three thousand three
hundred thirty-five dollars ($3,335). The annual renewal of the
license shall be two thousand two hundred seventy dollars ($2,270)
and may be increased to three thousand one hundred eighty dollars
($3,180). In addition to paying that application fee, the nonresident
sterile compounding pharmacy shall deposit, when submitting the
application, a reasonable amount, as determined by the board,
necessary to cover the board’s estimated cost of performing the
inspection required by Section 4127.2. If the required deposit is
not submitted with the application, the application shall be deemed
to be incomplete. If the actual cost of the inspection exceeds the
amount deposited, the board shall provide to the applicant a written
invoice for the remaining amount and shall not take action on the
application until the full amount has been paid to the board. If the
amount deposited exceeds the amount of actual and necessary
costs incurred, the board shall remit the difference to the applicant.
(w) The fee for the issuance of an outsourcing facility license
shall be two thousand two hundred seventy dollars ($2,270) and
may be increased to up to three thousand one hundred eighty
dollars ($3,180) by the board. The fee for the renewal of an
outsourcing facility license shall be one thousand three hundred
twenty-five dollars ($1,325) and may be increased to up to one
thousand eight hundred fifty-five dollars ($1,855) by the board.
The fee for a temporary outsourcing facility license shall be seven
hundred fifteen dollars ($715).
(x) The fee for the issuance of a nonresident outsourcing facility
license shall be two thousand three hundred eighty dollars ($2,380)
and may be increased to up to three thousand three hundred
thirty-five dollars ($3,335) by the board. The fee for the renewal
of a nonresident outsourcing facility license shall be two thousand
two hundred seventy dollars ($2,270) and may be increased to up
to three thousand one hundred eighty dollars ($3,180) by the board.
In addition to paying that application fee, the nonresident
outsourcing facility shall deposit, when submitting the application, a reasonable amount, as determined by the board, necessary to cover the board’s estimated cost of performing the inspection required by Section 4129.2. If the required deposit is not submitted with the application, the application shall be deemed to be incomplete. If the actual cost of the inspection exceeds the amount deposited, the board shall provide to the applicant a written invoice for the remaining amount and shall not take action on the application until the full amount has been paid to the board. If the amount deposited exceeds the amount of actual and necessary costs incurred, the board shall remit the difference to the applicant.

(y) The fee for the issuance of a centralized hospital packaging license shall be eight hundred twenty dollars ($820) and may be increased to one thousand one hundred fifty dollars ($1,150). The annual renewal of the license shall be eight hundred fifty dollars ($805) and may be increased to one thousand one hundred twenty-five dollars ($1,125).

(z) This section shall become operative on July 1, 2017.

SEC. 10. No reimbursement is required by this act pursuant to Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution because the only costs that may be incurred by a local agency or school district will be incurred because this act creates a new crime or infraction, eliminates a crime or infraction, or changes the penalty for a crime or infraction, within the meaning of Section 17556 of the Government Code, or changes the definition of a crime within the meaning of Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution.

SECTION 1. Section 25207.3 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

25207.3. A participating county shall conduct a survey to identify all eligible participants in the county, within 180 days after the county elects to implement this article, to assess the amount, kind, and condition of the banned, unregistered, or outdated agricultural waste that will be collected by the program. The survey shall include, but not be limited to, an evaluation of the banned, unregistered, or outdated agricultural waste to determine if it is securely contained, if it requires a removal or
remedial action, whether the contents of the waste are known, and
whether it is clearly labeled.
Attachment 2
An act to add and repeal Chapter 3.6 (commencing with Section 11366) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code, relating to state agency regulations.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 12, as introduced, Cooley. State government: administrative regulations: review.

Existing law authorizes various state entities to adopt, amend, or repeal regulations for various specified purposes. The Administrative Procedure Act requires the Office of Administrative Law and a state agency proposing to adopt, amend, or repeal a regulation to review the proposed changes for, among other things, consistency with existing state regulations.

This bill would require each state agency to, on or before January 1, 2020, review that agency’s regulations, identify any regulations that are duplicative, overlapping, inconsistent, or out of date, to revise those identified regulations, as provided, and report to the Legislature and Governor, as specified. The bill would repeal these provisions on January 1, 2021.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 3.6 (commencing with Section 11366) is added to Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code, to read:

CHAPTER 3.6. REGULATORY REFORM

Article 1. Findings and Declarations

11366. The Legislature finds and declares all of the following:

(a) The Administrative Procedure Act (Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 11340), Chapter 4 (commencing with Section 11370), Chapter 4.5 (commencing with Section 11400), and Chapter 5 (commencing with Section 11500)) requires agencies and the Office of Administrative Law to review regulations to ensure their consistency with law and to consider impacts on the state’s economy and businesses, including small businesses.

(b) However, the act does not require agencies to individually review their regulations to identify overlapping, inconsistent, duplicative, or out-of-date regulations that may exist.

(c) At a time when the state’s economy is slowly recovering, unemployment and underemployment continue to affect all Californians, especially older workers and younger workers who received college degrees in the last seven years but are still awaiting their first great job, and with state government improving but in need of continued fiscal discipline, it is important that state agencies systematically undertake to identify, publicly review, and eliminate overlapping, inconsistent, duplicative, or out-of-date regulations, both to ensure they more efficiently implement and enforce laws and to reduce unnecessary and outdated rules and regulations.

Article 2. Definitions

11366.1. For the purposes of this chapter, the following definitions shall apply:

(a) “State agency” means a state agency, as defined in Section 11000, except those state agencies or activities described in Section 11340.9.
(b) “Regulation” has the same meaning as provided in Section 11342.600.

Article 3. State Agency Duties

11366.2. On or before January 1, 2020, each state agency shall do all of the following:

(a) Review all provisions of the California Code of Regulations adopted by that state agency.
(b) Identify any regulations that are duplicative, overlapping, inconsistent, or out of date.
(c) Adopt, amend, or repeal regulations to reconcile or eliminate any duplication, overlap, inconsistencies, or out-of-date provisions, and shall comply with the process specified in Article 5 (commencing with Section 11346) of Chapter 3.5, unless the addition, revision, or deletion is without regulatory effect and may be done pursuant to Section 100 of Title 1 of the California Code of Regulations.
(d) Hold at least one noticed public hearing, which shall be noticed on the Internet Web site of the state agency, for the purposes of accepting public comment on proposed revisions to its regulations.
(e) Notify the appropriate policy and fiscal committees of each house of the Legislature of the revisions to regulations that the state agency proposes to make at least 30 days prior to initiating the process under Article 5 (commencing with Section 11346) of Chapter 3.5 or Section 100 of Title 1 of the California Code of Regulations.
(g) (1) Report to the Governor and the Legislature on the state agency’s compliance with this chapter, including the number and content of regulations the state agency identifies as duplicative, overlapping, inconsistent, or out of date, and the state agency’s actions to address those regulations.
(2) The report shall be submitted in compliance with Section 9795 of the Government Code.

11366.3. (a) On or before January 1, 2020, each agency listed in Section 12800 shall notify a department, board, or other unit within that agency of any existing regulations adopted by that department, board, or other unit that the agency has determined may be duplicative, overlapping, or inconsistent with a regulation
adopted by another department, board, or other unit within that agency.

(b) A department, board, or other unit within an agency shall notify that agency of revisions to regulations that it proposes to make at least 90 days prior to a noticed public hearing pursuant to subdivision (d) of Section 11366.2 and at least 90 days prior to adoption, amendment, or repeal of the regulations pursuant to subdivision (c) of Section 11366.2. The agency shall review the proposed regulations and make recommendations to the department, board, or other unit within 30 days of receiving the notification regarding any duplicative, overlapping, or inconsistent regulation of another department, board, or other unit within the agency.

11366.4. An agency listed in Section 12800 shall notify a state agency of any existing regulations adopted by that agency that may duplicate, overlap, or be inconsistent with the state agency’s regulations.

11366.45. This chapter shall not be construed to weaken or undermine in any manner any human health, public or worker rights, public welfare, environmental, or other protection established under statute. This chapter shall not be construed to affect the authority or requirement for an agency to adopt regulations as provided by statute. Rather, it is the intent of the Legislature to ensure that state agencies focus more efficiently and directly on their duties as prescribed by law so as to use scarce public dollars more efficiently to implement the law, while achieving equal or improved economic and public benefits.

Article 4. Chapter Repeal

11366.5. This chapter shall remain in effect only until January 1, 2021, and as of that date is repealed, unless a later enacted statute, that is enacted before January 1, 2021, deletes or extends that date.
**BILL ANALYSIS**

**Bill Number:** AB 12

**Current Version:** As introduced December 5, 2017

**Author:** Cooley

**Topic:** State Government, Administration Regulations: Review

**Staff Recommendation:** Oppose

**AFFECTED SECTIONS:** Adds Chapter 3.6 to Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code and subsequent repeal.

**STATUS:** Assembly Appropriations Committee Suspense File

**SUMMARY:**
AB 12 would require state agencies to review, adopt, amend or repeal any regulations that are duplicative, overlapping, inconsistent or out-of-date by January 1, 2020, and establish reporting requirements.

**EXISTING LAW:**
The Administrative Procedure Act establishes requirements for the adoption, amendment or repeal of regulations.

**THIS BILL WOULD:**
Require the board to identify all regulations that are duplicative, overlapping, inconsistent or out of date and ensure that necessary changes are made via the rulemaking process to correct any such identified changes. Further, this measure would require that all actions be completed on or before January 1, 2020.

**STAFF COMMENTS:**
Board staff notes that this measure could have a significant impact to its current operations. Completing the necessary review of its regulations as well as securing the changes within the time allotted (two years) seems extremely challenging. Given the complexity of the board’s regulatory structure, board staff has concerns that the board could achieve compliance with this measure in the time frame allowed without significantly impacting other areas of board operations.

The board had an oppose position on a similar measure last year.
FISCAL IMPACT ON THE BOARD:
Given the significant resources that would be required, board staff identified a significant fiscal to include two staff counsel and one AGPA limited term totaling $478,000 (FY 2018/19) and $454,000 (FY 2019/20).

SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

SUPPORT:
Acclamation Insurance Management
Services
Allied Managed Care
American Chemistry Council
American Federation of State, County And Municipal Employees, AFL-CIO
American Forest & Paper Association
Associated Builders and Contractors Of California
Building Owners And Managers Association Of California
California Asian Pacific Chamber of Commerce
California Association for Health Services At Home
California Association of Boutique And Breakfast Inns
California Association of Independent Business
California Association of Specialty Contractors
California Building Industry Association
California Business Properties Association
California Business Roundtable
California Cement Manufacturers Environmental Coalition
California Chamber of Commerce
California Construction & Industrial

OPPOSITION:
California Labor Federation
California Nurses Association
National Nurses United

Materials Association
California Forestry Association
California Grocers Association
California Hotel & Lodging Association
California Independent Oil Marketers Association
California League of Food Processors
California Manufacturers And Technology Association
California Professional Association Of Specialty Contractors
California Retailers Association
Chemical Industry Council of California Commercial Real Estate Development Association, NAIOP Of California
Consumer Specialty Products Association
Family Business Association
Flasher Barricade Association
Industrial Environmental Association
International Council of Shopping Centers
National Federation of Independent Business
National Shooting Sports Foundation, Inc.
Small Business California
Sporting Arms And Ammunition
Manufacturers' Institute, Inc.
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ASSEMBLY BILL No. 40

Introduced by Assembly Member Santiago

December 5, 2016

An act to amend Sections 11165.1 and 11165.2 of the Health and Safety Code, relating to controlled substances, and declaring the urgency thereof, to take effect immediately.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

AB 40, as introduced, Santiago. CURES database: health information technology system.

Existing law classifies certain controlled substances into designated schedules. Existing law requires the Department of Justice to maintain the Controlled Substance Utilization Review and Evaluation System (CURES) for the electronic monitoring of the prescribing and dispensing of Schedule II, Schedule III, and Schedule IV controlled substances by a health care practitioner authorized to prescribe, order, administer, furnish, or dispense a Schedule II, Schedule III, or Schedule IV controlled substance.

This bill would require the Department of Justice to make the electronic history of controlled substances dispensed to an individual under a health care practitioner’s care, based on data contained in the CURES database, available to the practitioner through either an online Internet Web portal or an authorized health information technology system, as defined. The bill would authorize a health information technology system to establish an integration with and submit queries to the CURES database if the system can certify, among other requirements, that the data received from the CURES database will not be used for any purpose other than delivering the data to an authorized
health care practitioner or performing data processing activities necessary to enable delivery, and that the system meets applicable patient privacy and information security requirements of state and federal law. The bill would also authorize the Department of Justice to require an entity operating a health information technology system to enter into a memorandum of understanding or other agreement setting forth terms and conditions with which the entity must comply.

Existing law authorizes the Department of Justice to conduct audits of the CURES database and its users.

This bill would authorize the Department of Justice to conduct audits of any authorized health information technology system integrated with the CURES database.

This bill would declare that it is to take effect immediately as an urgency statute.


The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 11165.1 of the Health and Safety Code, as amended by Section 2 of Chapter 708 of the Statutes of 2016, is amended to read:

11165.1. (a) (1) (A) (i) A health care practitioner authorized to prescribe, order, administer, furnish, or dispense Schedule II, Schedule III, or Schedule IV controlled substances pursuant to Section 11150 shall, before July 1, 2016, or upon receipt of a federal Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) registration, whichever occurs later, submit an application developed by the Department of Justice department to obtain approval to access information online regarding the controlled substance history of a patient through an online Internet Web portal that is stored on the Internet and maintained within the Department of Justice, by the department, or through an authorized health information technology system, and, upon approval, the department shall release to that practitioner, through an online Internet Web portal or an authorized health information technology system, the electronic history of controlled substances dispensed to an individual under his or her care based on data contained in the CURES Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP).
(ii) A pharmacist shall, before July 1, 2016, or upon licensure, whichever occurs later, submit an application developed by the Department of Justice to obtain approval to access information online regarding the controlled substance history of a patient that is stored on the Internet and maintained within the Department of Justice, and, upon approval, the department shall release to that pharmacist the electronic history of controlled substances dispensed to an individual under his or her care based on data contained in the CURES PDMP.

(B) An application may be denied, or a subscriber may be suspended, for reasons which include, but are not limited to, the following:

(i) Materially falsifying an application for a subscriber.

(ii) Failure to maintain effective controls for access to the patient activity report.

(iii) Suspended or revoked federal DEA registration.

(iv) Any subscriber who is arrested for a violation of law governing controlled substances or any other law for which the possession or use of a controlled substance is an element of the crime.

(v) Any subscriber accessing information for any other reason than caring for his or her patients.

(C) Any authorized subscriber shall notify the Department of Justice within 30 days of any changes to the subscriber account.

(D) A health information technology system may establish an integration with and submit queries to the CURES database on either a user-initiated basis or an automated basis if the system can certify all of the following:

(i) The health information technology system can establish it has been authorized to query the CURES database on behalf of an authorized health care practitioner on either a user-initiated basis, an automated basis, or both, for purposes of delivering patient data from the CURES database to assist an authorized health care practitioner with evaluating the need for medical or pharmaceutical treatment or providing medical or pharmaceutical treatment to a patient for whom a health care practitioner is providing or has provided care.

(ii) The health information technology system will not use or disclose data received from the CURES database for any purpose
other than delivering the data to an authorized health care practitioner or performing data processing activities that may be necessary to enable this delivery.

(iii) The health information technology system authenticates the identity of any authorized health care practitioner initiating queries to the CURES database on either a user-initiated basis or an automated basis and maintains an audit trail documenting this authentication.

(iv) The health information technology system meets applicable patient privacy and information security requirements of state and federal law.

(E) The department may, in its discretion, determine whether to establish a direct system integration between one or more health information technology systems and the CURES database, or whether to develop a gateway system to which multiple health information technology systems can establish an integration for purposes of accessing the CURES database.

(F) The department may require an entity that operates a health information technology system to enter into a memorandum of understanding or other agreement that sets forth terms and conditions with which the entity shall comply, including, but not limited to, all of the following:

(i) Paying a reasonable fee to cover the cost of establishing and maintaining integration with the CURES database.

(ii) Enforcement mechanisms for failure to comply with oversight or audit activities by the department, up to and including termination of access to the CURES database.

(iii) Any other term or condition that the department may determine in its reasonable discretion is necessary to carry out the intent of this section.

(2) A health care practitioner authorized to prescribe, order, administer, furnish, or dispense Schedule II, Schedule III, or Schedule IV controlled substances pursuant to Section 11150 or a pharmacist shall be deemed to have complied with paragraph (1) if the licensed health care practitioner or pharmacist has been approved to access the CURES database through the process developed pursuant to subdivision (a) of Section 209 of the Business and Professions Code.
(b) Any request for, or release of, a controlled substance history pursuant to this section shall be made in accordance with guidelines developed by the Department of Justice.

c) In order to prevent the inappropriate, improper, or illegal use of Schedule II, Schedule III, or Schedule IV controlled substances, the Department of Justice may initiate the referral of the history of controlled substances dispensed to an individual based on data contained in CURES to licensed health care practitioners, pharmacists, or both, providing care or services to the individual. An authorized health care practitioner may use a health information technology system, either on a user-initiated basis or an automated basis, to initiate the referral of the history of controlled substances dispensed to an individual based on data contained in CURES to other licensed health care practitioners, pharmacists, or both.

d) The history of controlled substances dispensed to an individual based on data contained in CURES that is received by a practitioner or pharmacist from the Department of Justice pursuant to this section is medical information subject to the provisions of the Confidentiality of Medical Information Act contained in Part 2.6 (commencing with Section 56) of Division 1 of the Civil Code.

e) Information concerning a patient’s controlled substance history provided to a prescriber or pharmacist pursuant to this section shall include prescriptions for controlled substances listed in Sections 1308.12, 1308.13, and 1308.14 of Title 21 of the Code of Federal Regulations.

f) A health care practitioner, pharmacist, and any person acting on behalf of a health care practitioner or pharmacist, when acting with reasonable care and in good faith, is not subject to civil or administrative liability arising from any false, incomplete, inaccurate, or misattributed information submitted to, reported by, or relied upon in the CURES database or for any resulting failure of the CURES database to accurately or timely report that information.

(g) For purposes of this section, the following terms have the following meanings:

(1) “Automated basis” means using predefined criteria established or approved by a health care practitioner to trigger an automated query to the CURES database, which can be
attributed to a specific health care practitioner by an audit trail in the health information technology system.

(2) “Department” means the Department of Justice.

(3) “Health information technology system” means an information processing application using hardware and software for the storage, retrieval, sharing of or use of patient data for communication, decisionmaking, coordination of care, or the quality, safety, or efficiency of the practice of medicine or delivery of health care services, including, but not limited to, electronic medical record applications, health information exchange systems, or other interoperable clinical or health care information system.

(4) “User-initiated basis” means an authorized health care practitioner has taken an action to initiate the query to the CURES database, such as clicking a button, issuing a voice command, or taking some other action that can be attributed to a specific health care practitioner by an audit trail in the health information technology system.

SEC. 2. Section 11165.2 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

11165.2. (a) The Department of Justice may conduct audits of the CURES Prescription Drug Monitoring Program system and its users, including any authorized health information technology system, as defined in subdivision (g) of Section 11165.1, integrated with the CURES database.

(b) The Department of Justice may establish, by regulation, a system for the issuance to a CURES Prescription Drug Monitoring Program subscriber of a citation which may contain an order of abatement, or an order to pay an administrative fine assessed by the Department of Justice if the subscriber is in violation of any provision of this chapter or any regulation adopted by the Department of Justice pursuant to this chapter.

(c) The system shall contain the following provisions:

(1) Citations shall be in writing and shall describe with particularity the nature of the violation, including specific reference to the provision of law or regulation of the department determined to have been violated.

(2) Whenever appropriate, the citation shall contain an order of abatement establishing a reasonable time for abatement of the violation.
(3) In no event shall the administrative fine assessed by the
department exceed two thousand five hundred dollars ($2,500) for
each violation. In assessing a fine, due consideration shall be given
to the appropriateness of the amount of the fine with respect to
such factors as the gravity of the violation, the good faith of the
subscribers, and the history of previous violations.

(4) An order of abatement or a fine assessment issued pursuant
to a citation shall inform the subscriber that if the subscriber desires
a hearing to contest the finding of a violation, a hearing shall be
requested by written notice to the CURES Prescription Drug
Monitoring Program within 30 days of the date of issuance of the
citation or assessment. Hearings shall be held pursuant to Chapter
5 (commencing with Section 11500) of Part 1 of Division 3 of
Title 2 of the Government Code.

(5) In addition to requesting a hearing, the subscriber may,
within 10 days after service of the citation, request in writing an
opportunity for an informal conference with the department
regarding the citation. At the conclusion of the informal conference,
the department may affirm, modify, or dismiss the citation,
including any fine levied or order of abatement issued. The decision
shall be deemed to be a final order with regard to the citation
issued, including the fine levied or the order of abatement which
could include permanent suspension to the system, a monetary
fine, or both, depending on the gravity of the violation. However,
the subscriber does not waive its right to request a hearing to
contest a citation by requesting an informal conference. If the
citation is affirmed, a formal hearing may be requested within 30
days of the date the citation was affirmed. If the citation is
dismissed after the informal conference, the request for a hearing
on the matter of the citation shall be deemed to be withdrawn. If
the citation, including any fine levied or order of abatement, is
modified, the citation originally issued shall be considered
withdrawn and a new citation issued. If a hearing is requested for
a subsequent citation, it shall be requested within 30 days of service
of that subsequent citation.

(6) Failure of a subscriber to pay a fine within 30 days of the
date of assessment or comply with an order of abatement within
the fixed time, unless the citation is being appealed, may result in
disciplinary action taken by the department. If a citation is not
contested and a fine is not paid, the subscriber account will be
terminated:
(A) A citation may be issued without the assessment of an
administrative fine.
(B) Assessment of administrative fines may be limited to only
particular violations of law or department regulations.
(d) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, if a fine is paid
to satisfy an assessment based on the finding of a violation,
payment of the fine shall be represented as a satisfactory resolution
of the matter for purposes of public disclosure.
(e) Administrative fines collected pursuant to this section shall
be deposited in the CURES Program Special Fund, available upon
appropriation by the Legislature. These special funds shall provide
support for costs associated with informal and formal hearings,
maintenance, and updates to the CURES Prescription Drug
Monitoring Program.
(f) The sanctions authorized under this section shall be separate
from, and in addition to, any other administrative, civil, or criminal
remedies; however, a criminal action may not be initiated for a
specific offense if a citation has been issued pursuant to this section
for that offense, and a citation may not be issued pursuant to this
section for a specific offense if a criminal action for that offense
has been filed.
(g) Nothing in this section shall be deemed to prevent the
department from serving and prosecuting an accusation to suspend
or revoke a subscriber if grounds for that suspension or revocation
exist.
SEC. 3. This act is an urgency statute necessary for the
immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety within
the meaning of Article IV of the California Constitution and shall
go into immediate effect. The facts constituting the necessity are:
In order to ensure that information in the CURES database is
available to prescribing physicians so they may prevent the
dangerous abuse of prescription drugs and to safeguard the health
and safety of the people of this state, it is necessary that this act
take effect immediately.
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Author: Santiago

Topic: CURES database: Health Information Technology System

Staff Recommendation: Support

AFFECTED SECTIONS: Amend HSC sections 11165.1 and 11165.2

STATUS: Assembly Public Safety Committee hearing April 25, 2017

THIS BILL WOULD:
Require the Department of Justice to make the electronic history of controlled substances dispensed to an individual under a health care practitioner’s care, based on data contained in the CURES database, available to the practitioner through either an online Internet Web portal or an authorized health information technology system, as defined.

STAFF COMMENTS:
The board has a long history of supporting CURES and its use. This measure appears to remove a possible impediment to use of CURES by allowing access through an authorized health information technology system.

SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

SUPPORT:
California American College of Emergency Physicians
California Access Coalition
California Medical Board

OPPOSITION:
None on file

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SECTION 1. This act shall be known, and may be cited, as the “HOPE Act.”

SEC. 2. Article 5 (commencing with Section 11774) is added to Chapter 1 of Part 2 of Division 10.5 of the Health and Safety Code, to read:

Article 5. Heroin and Opioid Public Education (HOPE)

11774. The Legislature finds and declares all of the following:

(a) There is an epidemic in this state stemming from the use of heroin and the abuse of opioid medications.

(b) In order for the state to combat this epidemic, citizens in all walks of life shall be alerted to the problem, and shall be armed with information that will allow them to recognize, and undertake appropriate actions, when they or their loved ones are at risk of, or are succumbing to, a heroin or opioid medication addiction.

(c) The widespread dissemination of information necessary to combat the state’s heroin and opioid medication epidemic could be successfully achieved through the institution and maintenance of a multicultural statewide public awareness campaign, which would be carefully coordinated through all available multimedia channels to reach a wide variety of audiences, including drug users, their family members and friends, medical practitioners and nurses, emergency personnel, and employers.

(d) Prescription drug overdoses now kill more people than car accidents.

(e) Every day, 2,500 children 12 to 17 years of age abuse a prescription painkiller for the first time, and more people are becoming addicted to prescription drugs.

(f) Data from the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention suggests that the nonmedical use of prescription painkillers costs public and private health insurers seventy-two billion eight hundred million dollars ($72,800,000,000) annually.

(g) As abuse rates have risen, the functions of the State Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs have been transferred to the State Department of Health Care Services.

(h) In order to be more successful in combating drug abuse, while addressing the current opioid and heroin epidemic, the department’s current public awareness campaign is being used to combat the state’s growing heroin and opioid medication epidemic shall be designed to do all of the following:

(1) Educate the public as to the reasons why ordinary people may engage in the abuse of opioid medications and the associated use of heroin.

(2) Rebut the commonly accepted myths and stereotypes associated with heroin use and opioid medication abuse.

(3) Stigmatize and condemn the abuse and diversion of opioid medication, while still recognizing the legitimate use of those opioid drugs as medications.

11774.1. (a) The department, in consultation with stakeholders, as appropriate, shall develop, coordinate, implement, and oversee a comprehensive multicultural public awareness campaign, to be known as “Heroin and Opioid Public Education (HOPE),” which shall allow for the coordinated and widespread dissemination of information designed to combat the growing heroin and opioid medication epidemic in the state.

(b) Using the means described in subdivision (c), HOPE shall provide for the coordinated and widespread public dissemination of individual case stories and other generalized information that is designed to do all of the following:

(1) Identify the pathways that can lead to opioid medication abuse and heroin use, and the reasons why opioid medication abuse may evolve into heroin use.
(2) Show the many faces of heroin and opioid medication addiction, and rebut the commonly accepted myths and stereotypes about heroin users and opioid medication abusers.

(3) Condemn and stigmatize the abuse and diversion of opioid medication, while recognizing the legitimate use of those same opioid drugs as medications.

(4) Describe the effects and warning signs of heroin use and opioid medication abuse, so as to better enable members of the public to determine when help is needed.

(5) Show the link that exists between heroin and opioid medication addiction and suicidal behavior.

(6) Identify the pathways that are available for individuals to seek help in association with their own, or another person’s, heroin or opioid medication addiction, and indicate the various telephone hotline systems that exist in the state for persons who wish to report a case of drug abuse or engage in substance abuse treatment.

(7) Highlight the availability of naloxone hydrochloride as a means to avert death from a heroin or opioid medication overdose, identify pathways for members of the public to obtain a prescription for naloxone hydrochloride and training in the emergency administration of naloxone hydrochloride, and promote the proper use of naloxone hydrochloride in crisis situations.

(8) Highlight the benefits of substance abuse treatment and the potential for treatment to allow for the reclaiming of lives that have been upset by addiction, and underscore the fact that relapses occur not because treatment is ineffective, but because of the nature of addiction, which is a recurring and relapsing disorder.

(9) Highlight the benefits of medication-assisted therapy using medications approved by the federal Food and Drug Administration, such as methadone, buprenorphine, extended-release injectable naltrexone, or other similar drugs, and destigmatize the use of that medication-assisted therapy.

(10) Identify the methods that can be used by an individual to help finance the costs of substance abuse treatment.

(11) Identify the steps that individuals can take to prevent and deter family members, friends, students, patients, coworkers, and others from first experimenting with inappropriately obtained opioid medications, and from misusing or mismanaging lawful opioid medications.

(12) Identify the proper methods for safeguarding, and for safely disposing of, legitimate opioid medications.

(13) Address any other issues that the department may deem appropriate and necessary to proactively educate the public about the state’s heroin and opioid medication epidemic and the actions that can be taken by members of the public to reduce the likelihood of heroin or opioid medication addiction, or to otherwise respond to, or mitigate the effects of, heroin or opioid medication addiction in cases in which it is present.

(c) (1) The HOPE program shall effectuate the dissemination of information described in subdivision (b) by using appropriate types of media to achieve the goal efficiently and effectively, including new technologies in media, print media, television and radio, Internet and social media.

(2) In disseminating the information described in subdivision (b), the HOPE program shall employ a variety of complementary educational themes and messages that shall be tailored to appeal to different target audiences in the state. At a minimum, the HOPE program shall incorporate all of the following:

(A) At least one message that is directed at, and is tailored to influence and resonate with, individuals who are personally at risk of heroin use or opioid medication abuse or who have already started down a pathway to addiction.

(B) At least one message that is directed at, and is tailored to influence and resonate with, the family members and friends of addicted persons, teachers, school nurses, medical practitioners, and employers.

(C) At least one message that is directed at the dangers of teen drug pilfering from the household medicine cabinet and how this could be avoided through the use of safe storage products.

(3) Information under the HOPE program shall be disseminated using culturally and linguistically appropriate means, in a manner that demonstrates respect for individual dignity and cultural differences. Where feasible and appropriate, the information shall be made available in a variety of languages.
(4) The department may enter into public-private partnerships with pharmaceutical or health care insurance companies, nonprofit social services organizations, mental health services providers and clinics, law enforcement, health care agencies, and school districts, that provide services in the state in order to facilitate the dissemination of information under the HOPE program.

11774.2. (a) The department shall submit to the Governor and the Legislature on at least an annual basis, a report that summarizes the actions that have been undertaken by the department to implement this article and includes an assessment of the effectiveness of the program, including, but not limited to, effects on the rate of new opioid and heroin addictions by populations, mitigation of the effects of opioid or heroin addiction, crime rates, hospitalization rates, death rates, and other calculable results as determined by the department. The report shall provide any recommendations for legislative or executive action that may be necessary to facilitate the ongoing success of the program.

(b) A report to be submitted to the Legislature pursuant to this section shall be submitted in compliance with Section 9795 of the Government Code.

11774.3. The department may adopt regulations in accordance with the rulemaking provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act (Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 11340) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code) as necessary to implement this article.
AFFECTED SECTIONS: Add Chapter 1 of Part 2 of Division 10.5 of the Health and Safety Code

STATUS: Assembly Appropriations Committee Suspense file

THIS BILL WOULD:
Require the Department of Health Care Services (department) to develop and implement an education campaign (HOPE) to combat the growing heroin and opioid medication epidemic in California in consultation with stakeholders. The measure includes some of the information that must be used as part of the campaign as well as targeted audiences. The department would also be required to submit a report on at least an annual basis summarizing its activities and assessment of the effectiveness of the program.

STAFF COMMENTS:
The board has routinely supported and focused efforts on combatting prescription drug abuse. This education campaign appears in line with these efforts, including the education campaign under development by the Communication and Public Education Committee.

SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

SUPPORT:
American Academy of Pediatrics, California
Biocom
California Police Chiefs Association
California State Teacher Association
California Special Districts Association
Gatekeeper Innovation

OPPOSITION:
None on file
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SECTION 1. Section 1000 of the Penal Code is amended to read:

1000. (a) This chapter shall apply whenever a case is before any court upon an accusatory pleading for a violation of Section 11350, 11357, 11364, or 11365, paragraph (2) of subdivision (b) of Section 11375, Section 11377, or Section 11550 of the Health and Safety Code, or subdivision (b) of Section 23222 of the Vehicle Code, or Section 11358 of the Health and Safety Code if the marijuana planted, cultivated, harvested, dried, or processed is for personal use, or Section 11368 of the Health and Safety Code if the narcotic drug was secured by a fictitious prescription and is for the personal use of the defendant and was not sold or furnished to another, or subdivision (d) of Section 653f if the solicitation was for acts directed to personal use only, or Section 381 or subdivision (f) of Section 647 of the Penal Code, and it appears to the prosecuting attorney that, except as provided in subdivision (b) of Section 11357 of the Health and Safety Code, all of the following apply to the defendant:

1. The defendant has no conviction for any offense involving controlled substances prior to the alleged commission of the charged offense.

2. The offense charged did not involve a crime of violence or threatened violence.

3. There is no evidence of a contemporaneous violation relating to narcotics or restricted dangerous drugs other than a violation of the offenses listed in this subdivision.

4. The defendant’s record does not indicate that probation or parole has ever been revoked without thereafter being completed.

5. The defendant’s record does not indicate that he or she has successfully completed or been terminated from diversion or deferred entry of judgment pursuant to this chapter within five years prior to the alleged commission of the charged offense.

6. The defendant has no prior felony conviction within five years prior to the alleged commission of the charged offense.

(b) The prosecuting attorney shall review his or her file to determine whether or not paragraphs (1) to (6), inclusive, of subdivision (a) apply to the defendant. Upon the agreement of the prosecuting attorney, law enforcement, the public defender, and the presiding judge of the criminal division of the superior court, this procedure shall be completed as soon as possible after the initial filing of the charges. If the defendant is found eligible, the prosecuting attorney shall file with the court a declaration in writing or state for the record the grounds upon which the determination is based, and shall make this information available to the defendant and his or her attorney. This procedure is intended to allow the court to set the hearing for deferred entry of judgment or pretrial diversion at the arraignment. If the defendant is found ineligible for deferred entry of judgment or pretrial diversion, the prosecuting attorney shall file with the court a declaration in writing or state for the record the grounds upon which the determination is based, and shall make this information available to the defendant and his or her attorney. The sole remedy of a defendant who is found ineligible for deferred entry of judgment or pretrial diversion is a postconviction appeal.

(c) All referrals for deferred entry of judgment or pretrial diversion granted by the court pursuant to this chapter shall be made only to programs that have been certified by the county drug program administrator pursuant to Chapter 1.5 (commencing with Section 1211) of Title 8, or to programs that provide services at no cost to the participant and have been deemed by the court and the county drug program administrator to be credible and effective. The defendant may request to be referred to a program in any county, as long as that program meets the criteria set forth in this subdivision.

(d) Deferred entry of judgment for a pretrial diversion for an alleged violation of Section 11368 of the Health and Safety Code shall not prohibit any administrative agency from taking disciplinary action against a licensee or from denying a license. Nothing in this subdivision shall be construed to expand or restrict the provisions of Section 1000.4.
(e) Any defendant who is participating in a program referred to as authorized in this section may be required to undergo analysis of his or her urine for the purpose of testing for the presence of any drug as part of the program. However, urine analysis or urinalysis results shall not be admissible as a basis for any new criminal prosecution or proceeding.

SEC. 2. Section 1000.1 of the Penal Code is amended to read:

1000.1. (a) If the prosecuting attorney determines that this chapter may be applicable to the defendant, he or she shall advise the defendant and his or her attorney in writing of that determination. This notification shall include all of the following:

(1) A full description of the procedures for deferred entry of judgment, pretrial diversion.

(2) A general explanation of the roles and authorities of the probation department, the prosecuting attorney, the program, and the court in the process.

(3) A clear statement that in lieu of trial, the court may grant deferred entry of judgment, pretrial diversion with respect to any crime offense specified in subdivision (a) of Section 1000 that is charged, provided that the defendant pleads guilty to each of these charges and waives time for the pronouncement of judgment, not guilty to the charge or charges, waives the right to a speedy trial and to a speedy preliminary hearing, if applicable, and that upon the defendant’s successful completion of a program, as specified in subdivision (c) of Section 1000, the positive recommendation of the program authority and the motion of the defendant, prosecuting attorney, the court, or the probation department, but no sooner than six months and no later than three years one year from the date of the defendant’s referral to the program, the court shall dismiss the charge or charges against the defendant.

(4) A clear statement that upon any failure of treatment or condition under the program, or any circumstance specified in Section 1000.3, the prosecuting attorney or the probation department or the court on its own may make a motion to the court for entry of judgment and the court shall render a finding of guilt to the charge or charges pled, enter judgment, and schedule a sentencing hearing to terminate pretrial diversion and schedule further proceedings as otherwise provided in this code.

(5) An explanation of criminal record retention and disposition resulting from participation in the deferred entry of judgment, pretrial diversion program and the defendant’s rights relative to answering questions about his or her arrest and deferred entry of judgment, pretrial diversion following successful completion of the program.

(b) If the defendant consents and waives his or her right to a speedy trial or and a speedy preliminary hearing, if applicable, the court may refer the case to the probation department or the court may summarily grant deferred entry of judgment if the defendant pleads guilty to the charge or charges and waives time for the pronouncement of judgment, pretrial diversion. When directed by the court, the probation department shall make an investigation and take into consideration the defendant’s age, employment and service records, educational background, community and family ties, prior controlled substance use, treatment history, if any, demonstrable motivation, and other mitigating factors in determining whether the defendant is a person who would be benefited by education, treatment, or rehabilitation. The probation department shall also determine which programs the defendant would benefit from and which programs would accept the defendant. The probation department shall report its findings and recommendations to the court. The court shall make the final determination regarding education, treatment, or rehabilitation for the defendant. If the court determines that it is appropriate, the court shall grant deferred entry of judgment, pretrial diversion if the defendant pleads not guilty to the charge or charges and waives time for the pronouncement of judgment, the right to a speedy trial and to a speedy preliminary hearing, if applicable.

(c) (1) No statement, or any information procured therefrom, made by the defendant to any probation officer or drug treatment worker, that is made during the course of any investigation conducted by the probation department or treatment program pursuant to subdivision (b), and prior to the reporting of the probation department’s findings and recommendations to the court, shall be admissible in any action or proceeding brought subsequent to the investigation.

(2) No statement, or any information procured therefrom, with respect to the specific offense with which the defendant is charged, that is made to any probation officer or drug program worker subsequent to the granting of deferred entry of judgment, pretrial diversion shall be admissible in any action or proceeding, including a sentencing hearing, proceeding.
(d) A defendant’s plea of guilty—participation in pretrial diversion pursuant to this chapter shall not constitute a conviction for any purpose unless a judgment of guilty is entered pursuant to Section 1000.3, or an admission of guilt for any purpose.

SEC. 3. Section 1000.2 of the Penal Code is amended to read:

1000.2. (a) The court shall hold a hearing and, after consideration of any information relevant to its decision, shall determine if the defendant consents to further proceedings under this chapter and if the defendant should be granted deferred entry of judgment. If the court does not deem the defendant a person who would be benefited by deferred entry of judgment, or if the defendant pretrial diversion. If the defendant does not consent to participate in pretrial diversion, the proceedings shall continue as in any other case.

(b) At the time that deferred entry of judgment—pretrial diversion is granted, any bail bond or undertaking, or deposit in lieu thereof, on file by or on behalf of the defendant shall be exonerated, and the court shall enter an order so directing.

(c) The period during which deferred entry of judgment—pretrial diversion is granted shall be for no less than 18 six months nor longer than three years—one year. However, the defendant may request, and the court shall grant, for good cause shown, an extension of time to complete a program specified in subdivision (c) of Section 1000. Progress reports shall be filed by the probation department with the court as directed by the court.

SEC. 4. Section 1000.3 of the Penal Code is amended to read:

1000.3. (a) If it appears to the prosecuting attorney, the court, or the probation department that the defendant is performing unsatisfactorily in the assigned program, or that the defendant is not benefiting from education, treatment, or rehabilitation, or that the defendant is convicted of a misdemeanor—convicted of an offense that reflects the defendant’s propensity for violence, or that the defendant is convicted of a felony, or that the defendant has engaged in criminal conduct rendering him or her unsuitable for deferred entry of judgment, the prosecuting attorney, the court on its own, or the probation department may make a motion for entry of judgment—termination from pretrial diversion.

(b) After notice to the defendant, the court shall hold a hearing to determine whether judgment should be entered—pretrial diversion shall be terminated.

(c) If the court finds that the defendant is not performing satisfactorily in the assigned program, or that the defendant is not benefiting from education, treatment, or rehabilitation, or the court finds that the defendant has been convicted of a crime as indicated above, or that the defendant has engaged in criminal conduct rendering him or her unsuitable for deferred entry of judgment—in subdivision (a), the court shall render a finding of guilt to the charge or charges pled, enter judgment, and schedule a sentencing hearing—schedule the matter for further proceedings as otherwise provided in this code.

(d) If the defendant has performed satisfactorily during the period in which deferred entry of judgment was granted—completed pretrial diversion, at the end of that period, the criminal charge or charges shall be dismissed.

(e) Prior to dismissing the charge or charges or rendering a finding of guilt and entering judgment—terminating pretrial diversion, the court shall consider the defendant’s ability to pay and whether the defendant has paid a diversion restitution fee pursuant to Section 1001.90, if ordered, and has met his or her financial obligation to the program, if any. As provided in Section 1203.1b, the defendant shall reimburse the probation department for the reasonable cost of any program investigation or progress report filed with the court as directed pursuant to Sections 1000.1 and 1000.2.

SEC. 5. Section 1000.4 of the Penal Code is amended to read:

1000.4. (a) Any record filed with the Department of Justice shall indicate the disposition in those cases deferred referred to pretrial diversion pursuant to this chapter. Upon successful completion of a deferred entry of judgment—pretrial diversion program, the arrest upon which the judgment defendant was deferred diverted shall be deemed to have never occurred. The defendant may indicate in response to any question concerning his or her prior criminal record that he or she was not arrested or granted deferred entry of judgment—pretrial diversion for the offense, except as specified in subdivision (b). A record pertaining to an arrest resulting in successful
completion of a deferred entry of judgment- pretrial diversion program shall not, without the defendant’s consent, be used in any way that could result in the denial of any employment, benefit, license, or certificate.

(b) The defendant shall be advised that, regardless of his or her successful completion of the deferred entry of judgment- pretrial diversion program, the arrest upon which the judgment pretrial diversion was deferred based may be disclosed by the Department of Justice in response to any peace officer application request and that, notwithstanding subdivision (a), this section does not relieve him or her of the obligation to disclose the arrest in response to any direct question contained in any questionnaire or application for a position as a peace officer, as defined in Section 830.

SEC. 6. Section 1000.5 of the Penal Code is amended to read:

1000.5. (a) (1) The presiding judge of the superior court, or a judge designated by the presiding judge, together with the district attorney and the public defender, may agree in writing to establish and conduct a preguilty plea drug court program pursuant to the provisions of this chapter, wherein criminal proceedings are suspended without a plea of guilty for designated defendants. The drug court program shall include a regimen of graduated sanctions and rewards, individual and group therapy, urine analysis testing commensurate with treatment needs, close court monitoring and supervision of progress, educational or vocational counseling as appropriate, and other requirements as agreed to by the presiding judge or his or her designee, the district attorney, and the public defender. If there is no agreement in writing for a preguilty plea program by the presiding judge or his or her designee, the district attorney, and the public defender, the program shall be operated as a deferred entry of judgment- pretrial diversion program as provided in this chapter.

(2) A person charged with a misdemeanor under paragraph (3) of subdivision (b) of Section 11357.5 or paragraph (3) of subdivision (b) of Section 11375.5 of the Health and Safety Code shall be eligible to participate in a preguilty plea drug court program established pursuant to this chapter, as set forth in Section 11375.7 of the Health and Safety Code.

(b) The provisions of Section 1000.3 and Section 1000.4 regarding satisfactory and unsatisfactory performance in a program shall apply to preguilty plea programs, except as provided in Section 11375.7 of the Health and Safety Code. If the court finds that (1) the defendant is not performing satisfactorily in the assigned program, (2) the defendant is not benefiting from education, treatment, or rehabilitation, (3) the defendant has been convicted of a crime specified in Section 1000.3, or (4) the defendant has engaged in criminal conduct rendering him or her unsuitable for the preguilty plea program, the court shall reinstate the criminal charge or charges. If the defendant has performed satisfactorily during the period of the preguilty plea program, at the end of that period, the criminal charge or charges shall be dismissed and the provisions of Section 1000.4 shall apply.

SEC. 7. Section 1000.6 of the Penal Code is amended to read:

1000.6. (a) Where a person is participating in a deferred entry of judgment program or a preguilty plea program pursuant to this chapter, the person may also participate in a licensed methadone or levoalphacetylmethadol (LAAM) program if the following conditions are met:

(1) The sheriff allows a methadone program to operate in the county jail.

(2) (a) A person who is participating in a pretrial diversion program or a preguilty plea program pursuant to this chapter is authorized under the direction of a licensed health care practitioner, to use medications including, but not limited to, methadone, buprenorphine, or levoalphacetylmethadol (LAAM) to treat substance use disorders if the participant allows release of his or her medical records to the court presiding over the participant’s pretrial diversion program for the limited purpose of determining whether or not the participant is duly enrolled in the licensed methadone or LAAM program using such medications under the direction of a licensed health care practitioner and is in compliance with deferred entry pretrial diversion or preguilty plea program rules.

(b) If the conditions specified in paragraphs (1) and (2) of subdivision (a) are met, participation in a methadone or LAAM treatment program, the use by a participant of medications to treat substance use disorders and participation in a pretrial diversion program shall not be the sole reason for exclusion from a deferred entry pretrial diversion or preguilty plea program. A methadone or LAAM patient who uses medications to treat substance use disorders and participates in a pretrial diversion program shall comply with all court program rules.
(c) A person who is participating in a deferred entry of judgment—pretrial diversion program or preguilty plea program pursuant to this chapter who participates in a licensed methadone or LAAM program uses medications to treat substance use disorders shall present to the court a declaration from the director of the methadone or LAAM program, or the director's his or her health care practitioner, or his or her health care practitioner's authorized representative, that the person is currently enrolled and in good standing in the program under their care.

(d) Urinalysis results that only establish that a person described in this section has ingested or taken the methadone administered or prescribed by a licensed methadone or LAAM program—medication duly prescribed to that person by his or her physician or psychiatrist, or medications used to treat substance use disorders—shall not be considered a violation of the terms of the deferred entry of judgment—pretrial diversion or preguilty plea program under this chapter.

(e) Except as provided in subdivisions (a) to (d), inclusive, this section shall not be interpreted to amend any provisions governing deferred entry and does not affect any other law governing diversion programs.

SEC. 8. Section 1000.65 is added to the Penal Code, immediately following Section 1000.6, to read:

1000.65. This chapter does not affect a pretrial diversion program provided pursuant to Chapter 2.7 (commencing with Section 1001).
Bill Analysis

Bill Number: AB 208
Current Version: As Amended March 8, 2017
Author: Eggman
Topic: Deferred Entry of Judgment: Pretrial Diversion
Staff Recommendation: Oppose Unless Amended

Affected Sections: Add Chapter 1 to Part 2 of Division 10.5 of the Health and Safety Code

Status: Assembly Appropriations Committee Suspense file

This Bill Would:
Change the existing “deferred entry of judgment program” into a pretrial diversion program. Under the pretrial diversion program created by this bill, a defendant may qualify if he or she has no prior conviction for any offense involving controlled substances (other than the offenses that qualify for the diversion program), the charged offense did not involve violence, there is no evidence of a violation relating to narcotics or restricted dangerous drugs (other than a violation that qualifies for the program), and the defendant has not suffered a conviction within prior five years to the alleged commission or had a prior conviction for a serious or violent felony.

Existing Law:
Allows individuals convicted of specified crimes to qualify for deferred entry of judgment if they had no conviction for any offense involving controlled substances, the charged offense did not involve violence, there was no evidence of a violation relating to narcotics or restricted dangerous drugs (other than a violation that qualified the individual for the program), the defendant’s record did not indicate that probation or parole has ever been revoked without being completed, and the defendant’s record did not indicate that he or she has been granted diversion, deferred entry of judgment, or was convicted of a felony.

Further, under the existing “deferred entry of judgment program,” defendants plead guilty and have entry of judgment deferred, in return for entering a drug treatment program for 18 months to 3 years. If the defendant doesn’t perform satisfactorily in the program, doesn’t benefit from the program, gets convicted of specified crimes, or engages in criminal activity rendering him or her unsuitable for deferred entry of judgment, the defendant’s guilty plea gets entered and the court proceeds to schedule a sentencing hearing. In the alternative, if the defendant completes the program, the criminal charges are dismissed. Under existing law the presiding judge of the Superior Court, with the district attorney and public defender, may establish a pretrial diversion drug program.
Pursuant to the provisions of Business and Professions Code (BPC) section 144, an applicant for licensure is required to submit fingerprints to the board for purposes of conducting criminal history record checks, BPC section 144.5 provides the explicit authority for the board to receive certified records of all arrests and convictions or other related documentation needed to complete an applicant or licensee investigation.

BPC 480(a)(1) provides the authority for the board to deny a license under specified conditions, including being convicted of a crime. The definition of conviction includes a plea or verdict of guilty.

BPC 4301(l) provides that a conviction of a crime substantially related to the qualifications, functions and duties of a licensee is unprofessional conduct. This section also includes that a plea or verdict of guilty or a conviction following a plea of nolo contendere is deemed to be a conviction within the meaning of the provision.

**THIS BILL WOULD:**

1. This bill would change the existing statewide “deferred entry of judgment program” into a pretrial diversion program. Under this pretrial diversion program, a defendant qualifies if he or she has no prior conviction for any offense involving controlled substances (other than offenses that qualify for pretrial diversion diversion), the charged offense did not involve violence, there is no evidence of a violation relating to narcotics or restricted dangerous drugs (other than a violation that qualifies them for the diversion), and the defendant has no prior felony conviction for a serious or violent felony in the five years prior to the alleged commission of the charged offense.

2. In this pretrial diversion program, a qualifying defendant doesn’t enter a guilty plea, but instead the court suspends the proceedings and places the defendant in a drug treatment program for 6 months to one year. If the defendant does not perform satisfactorily in the program or is convicted of specified crimes, the court terminates the program and the criminal proceedings are reinstated. In the alternative, if the defendant completes the program, the criminal charges are dismissed.

The bill allows a defendant to request and mandate that the court shall grant, for good cause shown, an extension of time to complete a pretrial diversion program.

**STAFF COMMENTS:**
This bill amends the Penal Code in a way that will negatively impact the board’s ability to prove in disciplinary proceedings that a licensee or applicant is engaged in illicit drug activities. The bill is likely to increase the board’s costs of prosecution or lead to the dismissal of certain disciplinary charges, to the detriment of public safety. This is because the changes proposed will allow defendants to not plead guilty. This means the board won’t be able to use a guilty plea as an admission of guilt, and when a defendant participates in a pretrial diversion program, the board can’t consider that an admission of guilt.

The policy being put forth in this measure runs contrary to the board’s consumer protection mandate as well as efforts by the Legislature to strengthen the ability of programs within the DCA to more robustly protect consumers. As part of the DCA’s Consumer Protection Enforcement Initiative (CPEI), it was noted that any delay in an investigation of a licensee may
result in a potentially dangerous licensee continuing to practice. Creating barriers to the board’s investigative efforts, such are the one proposed in the measure, will undo some of the gains the board has made in this area.

In 2015 a similar measure was proposed (AB 1351, Eggman). The board initially established an OUA position and offered amendments. Although this measure provides some discretion to the court to enroll someone in such a program, many of the same challenges still exist.

An analysis of administrative cases closed in the past three years that involved an arrest or conviction revealed that 119 of these cases would have been eligible for the pretrial program being proposed under this bill. In each of those cases the board would need to prove the arrest and underlying conduct. It is worth noting the breakdown:

- 106 pharmacy technicians: 87 revocations, 8 surrenders, 1 suspension and probation, 10 probations
- 1 designated representatives: probation
- 1 intern: suspension and probation
- 5 pharmacists: 2 revocations, 1 surrender, 1 suspension and probation, 1 probation
- 6 application denials. These are very troubling because it would not need to be reported to the board.

In addition, the board used the authority granted under Penal Code 23 to seek, as part of the criminal process, immediate restrictions on a license until the administrative case was completed. Such restrictions, which generally result in suspension, provide for immediate public protection while the administrative process is pending. This measure will limit the board’s ability to use this process.

**SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:**

**SUPPORT:**
America Civil Liberties Union (Co-Sponsor)
Coalition for Humane Immigrant Rights (Co-Sponsor)
Drug Policy Alliance (Co-Sponsor)
Immigrant Legal Resource Center (Co-Sponsor)
Mexican American Legal Defense and Education Fund (Co-Sponsor)
California Attorneys for Criminal Justice
California Public Defenders Association
Ella Baker Center for Human Rights
Human Impact Partners
National Association of Social Workers, California Chapter

**OPPOSITION:**
None on file

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01/23/2017  Read first time. To print.
Introduced by Assembly Member Dababneh
(Coauthor: Assembly Member Reyes)

January 30, 2017

An act to amend Section 1798.29 of the Civil Code, relating to personal information.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 241, as introduced, Dababneh. Personal information: privacy: state and local agency breach.
Existing law requires a person or business conducting business in California and any state or local agency, as defined, that owns or licenses computerized data that includes personal information, as defined, to disclose a breach in the security of the data to a resident of California whose unencrypted personal information was, or is reasonably believed to have been, acquired by an unauthorized person in the most expedient time possible and without unreasonable delay, as specified. Existing law requires a person or business, if it was the source of the breach, to offer to provide appropriate identity theft prevention and mitigation services at no cost to the person whose information was or may have been breached if the breach exposed or may have exposed the person’s social security number, driver’s license number, or California identification card number.
This bill also would require a state or local agency, if it was the source of the breach, to offer to provide appropriate identity theft prevention and mitigation services at no cost to a person whose information was or may have been breached if the breach exposed or may have exposed
the person’s social security number, driver’s license number, or California identification card number.

The bill would make other clarifying and nonsubstantive changes.


The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 1798.29 of the Civil Code is amended to read:

1798.29. (a) Any agency that owns or licenses computerized data that includes personal information shall disclose any a breach of the security of the system following discovery or notification of the breach in the security of the data to any a resident of California (1) whose unencrypted personal information was, or is reasonably believed to have been, acquired by an unauthorized person, or, (2) whose encrypted personal information was, or is reasonably believed to have been, acquired by an unauthorized person and the encryption key or security credential was, or is reasonably believed to have been, acquired by an unauthorized person and the agency that owns or licenses the encrypted information has a reasonable belief that the encryption key or security credential could render that personal information readable or useable. The disclosure shall be made in the most expedient time possible and without unreasonable delay, consistent with the legitimate needs of law enforcement, as provided in subdivision (c), or any measures necessary to determine the scope of the breach and restore the reasonable integrity of the data system.

(b) Any agency that maintains computerized data that includes personal information that the agency does not own shall notify the owner or licensee of the information of the breach of the security of the data immediately following discovery, if the personal information was, or is reasonably believed to have been, acquired by an unauthorized person.

(c) The notification required by this section may be delayed if a law enforcement agency determines that the notification will impede a criminal investigation. The notification required by this section shall be made promptly after the law enforcement agency determines that it will not compromise the investigation.
(d) Any agency that is required to issue a security breach notification pursuant to this section shall meet all of the following requirements:

1. The security breach notification shall be written in plain language, shall be titled “Notice of Data Breach,” and shall present the information described in paragraph (2) under the following headings: “What Happened,” “What Information Was Involved,” “What We Are Doing,” “What You Can Do,” and “For More Information.” Additional information may be provided as a supplement to the notice.

2. (A) The format of the notice shall be designed to call attention to the nature and significance of the information it contains.

3. (B) The title and headings in the notice shall be clearly and conspicuously displayed.

4. (C) The text of the notice and any other notice provided pursuant to this section shall be no smaller than 10-point type.

5. (D) For a written notice described in paragraph (1) of subdivision (i), use of the model security breach notification form prescribed below or use of the headings described in this paragraph with the information described in paragraph (2), written in plain language, shall be deemed to be in compliance with this subdivision.

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| For More Information. | Call [telephone number] or go to [Internet Web site] |

(E) For an electronic notice described in paragraph (2) of subdivision (i), use of the headings described in this paragraph with the information described in paragraph (2), written in plain language, shall be deemed to be in compliance with this subdivision.  

(2) The security breach notification described in paragraph (1) shall include, at a minimum, the following information:

(A) The name and contact information of the reporting agency subject to this section.
(B) A list of the types of personal information that were or are reasonably believed to have been the subject of a breach.

(C) If the information is possible to determine at the time the notice is provided, then any of the following: (i) the date of the breach, (ii) the estimated date of the breach, or (iii) the date range within which the breach occurred. The notification shall also include the date of the notice.

(D) Whether the notification was delayed as a result of a law enforcement investigation, if that information is possible to determine at the time the notice is provided.

(E) A general description of the breach incident, if that information is possible to determine at the time the notice is provided.

(F) The toll-free telephone numbers and addresses of the major credit reporting agencies, if the breach exposed a social security number or a driver’s license or California identification card number.

(G) If the agency providing the notification was the source of the breach, an offer to provide appropriate identity theft prevention and mitigation services, if any, shall be provided at no cost to the affected person for not less than 12 months, along with all information necessary to take advantage of the offer to a person whose information was or may have been breached if the breach exposed or may have exposed personal information defined in subparagraphs (A) and (B) of paragraph (1) of subdivision (g).

(3) At the discretion of the agency, the security breach notification may also include any of the following:

(A) Information about what the agency has done to protect individuals whose information has been breached.

(B) Advice on steps that the person whose information has been breached may take to protect himself or herself.

(e) Any agency that is required to issue a security breach notification pursuant to this section to more than 500 California residents as a result of a single breach of the security system shall electronically submit a single sample copy of that security breach notification, excluding any personally identifiable information, to the Attorney General. A single sample copy of a security breach notification shall not be deemed to be within subdivision (f) of Section 6254 of the Government Code.
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(f) For purposes of this section, “breach of the security of the system” means unauthorized acquisition of computerized data that compromises the security, confidentiality, or integrity of personal information maintained by the agency. Good faith acquisition of personal information by an employee or agent of the agency for the purposes of the agency is not a breach of the security of the system, provided that the personal information is not used or subject to further unauthorized disclosure.

(g) For purposes of this section, “personal information” means either of the following:

(1) An individual’s first name or first initial and last name in combination with any one or more of the following data elements, when either the name or the data elements are not encrypted:
   (A) Social security number.
   (B) Driver’s license number or California identification card number.
   (C) Account number or credit or debit card number, in combination with any required security code, access code, or password that would permit access to an individual’s financial account.
   (D) Medical information.
   (E) Health insurance information.
   (F) Information or data collected through the use or operation of an automated license plate recognition system, as defined in Section 1798.90.5.

(2) A user name or email address, in combination with a password or security question and answer that would permit access to an online account.

(h) (1) For purposes of this section, “personal information” does not include publicly available information that is lawfully made available to the general public from federal, state, or local government records.

(2) For purposes of this section, “medical information” means any information regarding an individual’s medical history, mental or physical condition, or medical treatment or diagnosis by a health care professional.

(3) For purposes of this section, “health insurance information” means an individual’s health insurance policy number or subscriber identification number, any unique identifier used by a health insurer
to identify the individual, or any information in an individual’s
application and claims history, including any appeals records.

(4) For purposes of this section, “encrypted” means rendered
unusable, unreadable, or indecipherable to an unauthorized person
through a security technology or methodology generally accepted
in the field of information security.

(i) For purposes of this section, “notice” may be provided by
one of the following methods:

(1) Written notice.

(2) Electronic notice, if the notice provided is consistent with
the provisions regarding electronic records and signatures set forth
in Section 7001 of Title 15 of the United States Code.

(3) Substitute notice, if the agency demonstrates that the cost
of providing notice would exceed two hundred fifty thousand
dollars ($250,000), or that the affected class of subject persons to
be notified exceeds 500,000, or the agency does not have sufficient
contact information. Substitute notice shall consist of all of the
following:

(A) Email notice when the agency has an email address for the
subject persons.

(B) Conspicuous posting, for a minimum of 30 days, of the
notice on the agency’s Internet Web site page, if the agency
maintains one. For purposes of this subparagraph, conspicuous
posting on the agency’s Internet Web site means providing a link
to the notice on the home page or first significant page after
entering the Internet Web site that is in larger type than the
surrounding text, or in contrasting type, font, or color to the
surrounding text of the same size, or set off from the surrounding
text of the same size by symbols or other marks that call attention
to the link.

(C) Notification to major statewide media and the Office of
Information Security within the Department of Technology.

(4) In the case of a breach of the security of the system involving
personal information defined in paragraph (2) of subdivision (g)
for an online account, and no other personal information defined
in paragraph (1) of subdivision (g), the agency may comply with
this section by providing the security breach notification in
electronic or other form that directs the person whose personal
information has been breached to promptly change his or her
password and security question or answer, as applicable, or to take
other steps appropriate to protect the online account with the agency and all other online accounts for which the person uses the same user name or email address and password or security question or answer.

(5) In the case of a breach of the security of the system involving personal information defined in paragraph (2) of subdivision (g) for login credentials of an email account furnished by the agency, the agency shall not comply with this section by providing the security breach notification to that email address, but may, instead, comply with this section by providing notice by another method described in this subdivision or by clear and conspicuous notice delivered to the resident online when the resident is connected to the online account from an Internet Protocol address or online location from which the agency knows the resident customarily accesses the account.

(j) Notwithstanding subdivision (i), an agency that maintains its own notification procedures as part of an information security policy for the treatment of personal information and is otherwise consistent with the timing requirements of this part shall be deemed to be in compliance with the notification requirements of this section if it notifies subject persons in accordance with its policies in the event of a breach of security of the system.

(k) Notwithstanding the exception specified in paragraph (4) of subdivision (b) of Section 1798.3, for purposes of this section, “agency” includes a local agency, as defined in subdivision (a) of Section 6252 of the Government Code.

(l) For purposes of this section, “encryption key” and “security credential” mean the confidential key or process designed to render the data useable, readable, and decipherable.
BILL ANALYSIS

Bill Number: AB 241
Current Version: As Introduced January 30, 2017
Author: Dababneh
Topic: Personal Information: Privacy: State and Local Agency
Staff Recommendation: None

AFFECTED SECTIONS: Amend Section 1798.29 of the Civil Code

STATUS: Assembly Appropriations Committee Suspense file

EXISTING LAW:
Requires a business or person conducting business in California that owns or licenses computerized data that includes personal information to disclose a breach in the security of the data. Further, the person or business is required to offer to provide appropriate identify theft prevention and mitigation services at no cost to an impacted individual.

THIS BILL WOULD:
Require a state or local agency to offer to provide identify theft prevention and mitigation services at no cost to a person whose information was or may have been breached, if the agency was the source of the breach.

STAFF COMMENTS:
This measure is being presented because it has the potential for a significant fiscal impact. Although the board does not maintain its own licensing system, the DCA does on behalf of the board. Because of the funding of the DCA, through pro rata assessments for the various programs within DCA, the fiscal impact of this measure could be quite significant should a breach occur. According to the DCA budget office, costs could exceed $?, a portion of which would be covered by board funds. It is estimated that the cost could be approximately $15/month or $180/year for a single individual. With the board’s individual licensee population at about 124,000, a massive breach could cost the board about $18.6 million.

Staff notes that as a condition of licensure the board is required to collect personal information, including Social Security numbers and tax identification numbers.

SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:
SUPPORT:
Association of California Life & Health Insurance Companies
California Bankers Association
California Business Properties Association
California Cable and Telecommunications Association
California Chamber of Commerce
California Grocers Association
Computing Technology Industry Association – CompTIA
Los Angeles County Professional Peace Officers Association
Organization of SMUD Employees
Personal Insurance Federal of California
San Diego County
San Luis Obispo County Employees

OPPOSITION:
California State Association of Counties
League of California Cities
Urban Counties of California

**Bill History**

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An act to add Article 7 (commencing with Section 111657) to Chapter 6 of Part 5 of Division 104 of the Health and Safety Code, relating to public health.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST


(1) The Sherman Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Law regulates the packaging, labeling, and advertising of drugs and devices, and is administered by the State Department of Public Health. The law makes a violation of its provisions a crime.

This bill would expand the law to prohibit, except as provided, a person who manufactures a prescription drug from offering in California any discount, rebate, repayment, product voucher, or other reduction in an individual’s out-of-pocket expenses, expenses associated with his or her insurance coverage, including, but not limited to, a copayment or deductible, for any prescription drug if a lower cost brand name or nonbrand name prescription drug is available that is designated by the United States Food and Drug Administration as therapeutically equivalent to, or interchangeable with, the prescription drug manufactured by that person, or if the active ingredients of the drug are available without prescription at a lower cost and are not
otherwise contraindicated for the condition for which the prescription
drug is approved.

By expanding the scope of a crime, this bill would impose a
state-mandated local program.

(2) The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local
agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state.
Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act
for a specified reason.

State-mandated local program: yes.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Article 7 (commencing with Section 111657) is
added to Chapter 6 of Part 5 of Division 104 of the Health and
Safety Code, to read:

Article 7. Prescription Drug Discount Prohibition

111657. Except as provided in Section 111657.5, a person who
manufactures a prescription drug shall not offer in the state any a
discount, rebate, repayment, product voucher, or other reduction
in an individual's out-of-pocket expenses, expenses associated
with his or her insurance coverage, including, but not limited to,
a copayment or deductible, for any a prescription drug if a lower
cost brand name or nonbrand name prescription drug is available
that is designated by the United States Food and Drug
Administration as to be therapeutically equivalent to, or
interchangeable with, the prescription drug manufactured by that
person, as indicated by the United States Food and Drug
Administration's “Approved Drug and Products with Therapeutic
Equivalence Evaluations.”

111657.1. Except as provided in Section 111657.5, a person
who manufactures a prescription drug shall not offer in the state
a discount, repayment, product voucher, or other reduction in the
individual's out-of-pocket expenses associated with his or her
insurance coverage, including, but not limited to, a copayment or
deductible, for a prescription drug if the active ingredients of the
drug are available without prescription at a lower cost and are
not otherwise contraindicated for treatment of the condition for
which the prescription drug is approved.

111657.5. The prohibition in Section 111657 shall not apply
to a discount, rebate, repayment, product voucher, or other payment
to a patient or another person on the patient’s behalf for a
prescription drug required under a United States Food and Drug
Administration Risk Evaluation and Mitigation Strategy for the
purpose of monitoring or facilitating the use of that prescription
drug in a manner consistent with the approved labeling of the
prescription drug.

111657.10. This article shall not be deemed to affect how a
person distributes a prescription drug or a pharmacist’s ability to
substitute a therapeutically equivalent prescription drug,
prescription drug pursuant to Section 4073 of the Business and
Professions Code or an alternative biological product pursuant
to Section 4073.5 of the Business and Professions Code.

SEC. 2. No reimbursement is required by this act pursuant to
Section 6 of Article XIIIB of the California Constitution because
the only costs that may be incurred by a local agency or school
district will be incurred because this act creates a new crime or
infraction, eliminates a crime or infraction, or changes the penalty
for a crime or infraction, within the meaning of Section 17556 of
the Government Code, or changes the definition of a crime within
the meaning of Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California
Constitution.
BILL ANALYSIS

Bill Number: AB 265
Current Version: As Amended March 27, 2017
Author: Wood
Topic: Prescription Drugs: Prohibition on Price Discount
Staff Recommendation: None

AFFECTED SECTIONS: Add Article 7 to Chapter 6 of Part 5 of Division 104 of the Health and Safety Code

STATUS: Assembly Health Committee hearing April 18, 2017

EXISTING LAW:
The Sherman Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act regulates the packaging, labeling and advertising of drugs and devices. Pharmacy law regulates the distribution and dispensing of dangerous drugs and devices.

THIS BILL WOULD:
Prohibit a drug manufacturer from offering a state discount, repayment, product voucher or other reduction in a consumer’s out-of-pocket expenses associated with insurance coverage if a lower cost brand name or nonbrand name prescription drug is available that is designated to be therapeutically equivalent. The prohibition would not apply to a prescription drug required under an FDA REMS and would not affect a pharmacist’s ability to substitute a prescription drug as allowed in pharmacy law.

STAFF COMMENTS:
This measure is the author’s solution to rising prescription drug prices. According to the author’s office, consumers are induced to take a specific brand of a prescription medication that may ultimately result in higher costs to the consumer after rebates, etc. expire. As pharmacies are generally the source of dispensing, it appears it would be incumbent upon the dispenser to ensure compliance with the provisions.

During a recent informational hearing on the role of Pharmacy Benefit Managers (PBM), testimony was provided that pharmacies are sometimes prohibited from sharing cost information with consumers as a condition of the contract with the PBM. Staff is unclear how this measure would work with these contractual limitations. Board staff is also unclear on what actions could be taken against drug manufacturers that violation these provisions.
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SECTION 1. Section 4037.5 is added to the Business and Professions Code, to read:

4037.5. "Pharmacy benefit manager" means a person, business, or other entity that, pursuant to a contract or under an employment relationship with a carrier, health benefit plan sponsor, or other third-party payer, either directly or through an intermediary, manages the prescription drug coverage provided by the carrier, plan sponsor, or other third-party payer, including, but not limited to, the processing and payment of claims for prescription drugs, the performance of drug utilization review, the processing of drug prior authorization requests, the adjudication of appeals or grievances related to prescription drug coverage, contracting with network pharmacies, and controlling the cost of covered prescription drugs.

SECTION 2. Section 4100 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

4100. (a) Within 30 days after changing his or her address of record with the board or after changing his or her name according to law, a pharmacist, intern pharmacist, technician, or designated representative, designated representative, or pharmacy benefit manager shall notify the executive officer of the board of the change of address or change of name.

(b) This section shall become operative on January 1, 2006.

SECTION 3. Section 4107.5 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

4107.5. If a manufacturer, wholesaler, third-party logistics provider, pharmacy benefit manager, or pharmacy has reasonable cause to believe that a dangerous drug or dangerous device in, or having been in, its possession is counterfeit or the subject of a fraudulent transaction, the manufacturer, wholesaler, third-party logistics provider, pharmacy benefit manager, or pharmacy shall notify the board within 72 hours of obtaining that knowledge. This section shall apply to any dangerous drug or dangerous device that has been sold or distributed in or through this state.

SECTION 4. Section 4201 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

4201. (a) Each application to conduct a pharmacy, pharmacy benefit manager, wholesaler, third-party logistics provider, veterinary food-animal drug retailer, or outsourcing facility shall be made on a form furnished by the board and shall state the name, address, usual occupation, and professional qualifications, if any, of the applicant. If the applicant is other than a natural person, the application shall state the information as to each person beneficially interested therein or any person with management or control over the license.

(b) As used in this section, and subject to subdivision (c), the term "person beneficially interested" means and includes:

(1) If the applicant is a partnership or other unincorporated association, each partner or member.

(2) If the applicant is a corporation, each of its officers, directors, and stockholders, provided that a natural person shall not be deemed to be beneficially interested in a nonprofit corporation.

(3) If the applicant is a limited liability company, each officer, manager, or member.

(c) If the applicant is a partnership or other unincorporated association, a limited liability company, or a corporation, and the number of partners, members, or stockholders, as the case may be, exceeds five, the application shall so state, and shall further state the information required by subdivision (a) as to each of the five partners, members, or stockholders who own the five largest interests in the applicant entity. Upon request by the executive officer, the applicant shall furnish the board with the information required by subdivision (a) as to partners, members, or stockholders not named in the application, or shall refer the board to an appropriate source of that information.

(d) The application shall contain a statement to the effect that the applicant has not been convicted of a felony and has not violated any of the provisions of this chapter. If the applicant cannot make this statement, the application shall contain a statement of the violation, if any, or reasons which will prevent the applicant from being able to comply with the requirements with respect to the statement.

(e) Upon the approval of the application by the board and payment of the fee required by this chapter for each pharmacy, pharmacy benefit manager, wholesaler, third-party logistics provider, or veterinary food-animal drug retailer, the executive officer of the board shall issue a license to conduct a pharmacy, wholesaler, third-party logistics provider, veterinary food-animal drug retailer, or outsourcing facility if all of the provisions of this chapter have been complied with.

(f) Notwithstanding any other law, the pharmacy license shall authorize the holder to conduct a pharmacy. The license shall be renewed annually and shall not be transferable.

(g) Notwithstanding any other law, the pharmacy benefit manager license shall authorize the holder to conduct business as a pharmacy benefit manager as defined in Section 4037.5. The license shall be renewed annually and shall not be transferable.

(h) Notwithstanding any other law, the wholesaler license shall authorize the holder to wholesale dangerous drugs and dangerous devices. The license shall be renewed annually and shall not be transferable.

(i) Notwithstanding any other law, the third-party logistics provider license shall authorize the holder to provide or coordinate warehousing, distribution, or other similar services of dangerous drugs and dangerous devices. The license shall be renewed annually and shall not be transferable.

(j) Notwithstanding any other law, the veterinary food-animal drug retailer license shall authorize the holder to conduct a veterinary food-animal drug retailer and to sell and dispense veterinary food-animal drugs as defined in Section 4042.

(k) For licenses referred to in subdivisions (f), (g), (h), (i), and (j), any change in the proposed beneficial ownership interest shall be reported to the board within 35 days thereafter upon a form to be furnished by the board.

SECTION 5. Section 4400 of the Business and Professions Code, as added by Section 26 of Chapter 799 of the Statutes of 2016, is amended to read:

4400. The amount of fees and penalties prescribed by this chapter, except as otherwise provided, is that fixed by the board according to the following schedule:
(a) The fee for a nongovernmental pharmacy license shall be five hundred twenty dollars ($520) and may be increased to five hundred seventy dollars ($570). The fee for the issuance of a temporary nongovernmental pharmacy permit shall be two hundred fifty dollars ($250) and may be increased to three hundred twenty-five dollars ($325).

(b) The fee for a nongovernmental pharmacy license annual renewal shall be six hundred sixty-five dollars ($665) and may be increased to nine hundred thirty dollars ($930).

(c) The fee for the pharmacist application and examination shall be two hundred sixty dollars ($260) and may be increased to two hundred eighty-five dollars ($285).

(d) The fee for regrading an examination shall be ninety dollars ($90) and may be increased to one hundred fifteen dollars ($115). If an error in grading is found and the applicant passes the examination, the regrading fee shall be refunded.

(e) The fee for a pharmacist license shall be one hundred ninety-five dollars ($195) and may be increased to two hundred fifteen dollars ($215). The fee for a pharmacist biennial renewal shall be three hundred sixty dollars ($360) and may be increased to five hundred five dollars ($505).

(f) The fee for a nongovernmental wholesaler or third-party logistics provider license and annual renewal shall be seven hundred eighty dollars ($780) and may be increased to eight hundred twenty dollars ($820). The application fee for any additional location after licensure of the first 20 locations shall be three hundred dollars ($300) and may be decreased to no less than two hundred twenty-five dollars ($225). A temporary license fee shall be seven hundred fifteen dollars ($715) and may be decreased to no less than five hundred fifty-five dollars ($555).

(g) The fee for a hypodermic license shall be one hundred seventy dollars ($170) and may be increased to two hundred forty dollars ($240). The fee for a hypodermic license renewal shall be two hundred dollars ($200) and may be increased to two hundred eighty dollars ($280).

(h) (1) The fee for application, investigation, and issuance of a license as a designated representative pursuant to Section 4053, or as a designated representative-3PL pursuant to Section 4053.1, shall be one hundred fifty dollars ($150) and may be increased to two hundred ten dollars ($210).

(2) The fee for the annual renewal of a license as a designated representative or designated representative-3PL shall be two hundred fifteen dollars ($215) and may be increased to three hundred dollars ($300).

(i) (1) The fee for the application, investigation, and issuance of a license as a designated representative for a veterinary food-animal drug retailer pursuant to Section 4053 shall be one hundred fifty dollars ($150) and may be increased to two hundred ten dollars ($210).

(2) The fee for the annual renewal of a license as a designated representative for a veterinary food-animal drug retailer shall be two hundred fifteen dollars ($215) and may be increased to three hundred dollars ($300).

(j) (1) The application fee for a nonresident wholesaler or third-party logistics provider license issued pursuant to Section 4161 shall be seven hundred eighty dollars ($780) and may be increased to eight hundred twenty dollars ($820).

(2) For nonresident wholesalers or third-party logistics providers that have 21 or more facilities operating nationwide the application fees for the first 20 locations shall be seven hundred eighty dollars ($780) and may be increased to eight hundred twenty dollars ($820). The application fee for any additional location after licensure of the first 20 locations shall be three hundred dollars ($300) and may be decreased to no less than two hundred twenty-five dollars ($225). A temporary license fee shall be seven hundred fifteen dollars ($715) and may be decreased to no less than five hundred fifty-five dollars ($555).

(3) The annual renewal fee for a nonresident wholesaler license or third-party logistics provider license issued pursuant to Section 4161 shall be seven hundred eighty dollars ($780) and may be increased to eight hundred twenty dollars ($820).

(k) The fee for evaluation of continuing education courses for accreditation shall be set by the board at an amount not to exceed forty dollars ($40) per course hour.

(l) The fee for an intern pharmacist license shall be one hundred sixty-five dollars ($165) and may be increased to two hundred thirty dollars ($230). The fee for transfer of intern hours or verification of licensure to another state shall be twenty-five dollars ($25) and may be increased to thirty dollars ($30).

(m) The board may waive or refund the additional fee for the issuance of a license where the license is issued less than 45 days before the next regular renewal date.

(n) The fee for the reissuance of any license, or renewal thereof, that has been lost or destroyed or reissued due to a name change shall be thirty-five dollars ($35) and may be increased to forty-five dollars ($45).

(o) The fee for the reissuance of any license, or renewal thereof, that must be reissued because of a change in the information, shall be one hundred dollars ($100) and may be increased to one hundred thirty dollars ($130).

(p) It is the intent of the Legislature that, in setting fees pursuant to this section, the board shall seek to maintain a reserve in the Pharmacy Board Contingent Fund equal to approximately one year’s operating expenditures.

(q) The fee for any applicant for a nongovernmental clinic license shall be five hundred twenty dollars ($520) for each license and may be increased to five hundred seventy dollars ($570). The annual fee for renewal of the license shall be three hundred twenty-five dollars ($325) for each license and may be increased to three hundred sixty dollars ($360).

(r) The fee for the issuance of a pharmacy technician license shall be one hundred forty dollars ($140) and may be increased to one hundred ninety-five dollars ($195). The fee for renewal of a pharmacy technician license shall be one hundred forty dollars ($140) and may be increased to one hundred ninety-five dollars ($195).

(s) The fee for a veterinary food-animal drug retailer license shall be four hundred thirty-five dollars ($435) and may be increased to six hundred ten dollars ($610). The annual renewal fee for a veterinary food-animal drug retailer license shall be three hundred thirty dollars ($330) and may be increased to four hundred sixty dollars ($460).

(t) The fee for issuance of a retired license pursuant to Section 4200.5 shall be thirty-five dollars ($35) and may be increased to forty-five dollars ($45).

(u) The fee for issuance of a nongovernmental sterile compounding pharmacy license shall be one thousand six hundred forty-five dollars ($1,645) and may be increased to two thousand three hundred five dollars ($2,305). The fee for a temporary license shall be five hundred fifty dollars ($550) and may be increased to seven hundred fifteen dollars ($715). The annual renewal fee of the license shall be one thousand three hundred twenty-five dollars ($1,325) and may be increased to one thousand eight hundred fifty-five dollars ($1,855).

(v) The fee for the issuance of a nonresident sterile compounding pharmacy license shall be two thousand three hundred eighty dollars ($2,380) and may be increased to three thousand three hundred thirty-five dollars ($3,335). The annual renewal of the license shall be two thousand two hundred seventy dollars ($2,270) and may be increased to three thousand one hundred eighty dollars ($3,180). In addition to paying that application fee, the nonresident sterile compounding pharmacy shall deposit, when submitting the application, a reasonable amount, as determined by the board, necessary to cover the board’s estimated cost of performing the inspection required by Section 4127.2. If the required deposit is not submitted with the application, the application shall be deemed to be incomplete. If the actual cost of the inspection exceeds the amount deposited, the board shall provide to the applicant a written invoice for the remaining amount and shall not take action on the application until the full amount has been paid to the board. If the amount deposited exceeds the amount of actual and necessary costs incurred, the board shall remit the difference to the applicant.
(w) The fee for the issuance of an outsourcing facility license shall be two thousand two hundred seventy dollars ($2,270) and may be increased to up to three thousand one hundred eighty dollars ($3,180) by the board. The fee for the renewal of an outsourcing facility license shall be one thousand three hundred twenty-five dollars ($1,325) and may be increased to up to one thousand eight hundred fifty-five dollars ($1,855) by the board. The fee for a temporary outsourcing facility license shall be seven hundred fifteen dollars ($715).

(x) The fee for the issuance of a nonresident outsourcing facility license shall be two thousand three hundred eighty dollars ($2,380) and may be increased to up to three thousand three hundred thirty-five dollars ($3,335) by the board. The fee for the renewal of a nonresident outsourcing facility license shall be two thousand two hundred seventy dollars ($2,270) and may be increased to up to three thousand one hundred eighty dollars ($3,180) by the board. In addition to paying that application fee, the nonresident outsourcing facility shall deposit, when submitting the application, a reasonable amount, as determined by the board, necessary to cover the board’s estimated cost of performing the inspection required by Section 4123.2. If the required deposit is not submitted with the application, the application shall be deemed to be incomplete. If the actual cost of the inspection exceeds the amount deposited, the board shall provide to the applicant a written invoice for the remaining amount and shall not take action on the application until the full amount has been paid to the board. If the amount deposited exceeds the amount of actual and necessary costs incurred, the board shall remit the difference to the applicant.

(y) The fee for the issuance of a centralized hospital packaging license shall be eight hundred twenty dollars ($820) and may be increased to one thousand one hundred fifty dollars ($1,150). The annual renewal of the license shall be eight hundred fifty dollars ($850) and may be increased to one thousand one hundred twenty-five dollars ($1,125).

(2) In this subdivision, “section” shall become operative on July 1, 2012. The application fee for a pharmacy benefit manager license shall be ___ dollars ($___) and may be decreased to no less than ___ dollars ($___).

(2) The licensure fee imposed under this subdivision shall not exceed the actual administrative costs in administering the provisions relating to the licensure and regulation of those licensees.

SEC. 6. Article 25 (commencing with Section 4427) is added to Chapter 9 of Division 2 of the Business and Professions Code, to read:

Article 25. Pharmacy Benefit Managers

4427. (a) (1) A person or entity shall not act as pharmacy benefit manager for any dangerous drug or dangerous device unless he, she, or it has obtained a license from the board.

(2) (A) A pharmacy benefit manager shall disclose to the board the location, names, and titles of all of the following:

(i) Its agent for service of process in this state.

(ii) All pharmacists of the pharmacy benefit manager who are dispensing controlled substances, dangerous drugs, or dangerous devices to residents of this state.

(B) This information shall be disclosed on an annual basis and within 30 days after any change of office, corporate officer, partner, or pharmacist.

(b) Upon approval by the board and the payment of the required fee, the board shall issue a license to the applicant.

4428. The board has the authority to enforce the provisions of this article, including the authority to adopt, amend, or repeal any rules and regulations, not inconsistent with the laws of this state, as may be necessary for the protection of the public and to implement this article.

4429. This article shall not apply to the following:

(a) A health care service plan or health insurer, if the health care service plan or health insurer offers or provides pharmacy benefit management services and if those services are offered or provided only to enrollees, subscribers, policyholders, or insureds who are also covered by health benefits offered or provided by that health care service plan or health insurer.

(b) An affiliate, subsidiary, related entity or contracted medical groups of a health care service plan or health insurer that would otherwise qualify as a pharmacy benefit manager but offers or provides services only to enrollees, subscribers, policyholders, or insureds who are also covered by health benefits offered or provided by the health care service plan or health insurer.

SEC. 7. Article 4430 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

4430. For purposes of this chapter, the following definitions shall apply:

(a) “Carrier” means a health care service plan, as defined in Section 1345 of the Health and Safety Code, or a health insurer that issues policies of health insurance, as defined in Section 106 of the Insurance Code.

(b) “Clerical or recordkeeping error” includes a typographical error, scrivener’s error, or computer error in a required document or record.

(c) “Extrapolation” means the practice of inferring a frequency or dollar amount of overpayments, underpayments, nonvalid claims, or other errors on any portion of claims submitted, based on the frequency or dollar amount of overpayments, underpayments, nonvalid claims, or other errors actually measured in a sample of claims.

(d) “Health benefit plan” means any plan or program that provides, arranges, pays for, or reimburses the cost of health benefits. “Health benefit plan” includes, but is not limited to, a health care service plan contract issued by a health care service plan, as defined in Section 1345 of the Health and Safety Code, and a policy of health insurance, as defined in Section 106 of the Insurance Code, issued by a health insurer.

(e) “Maximum allowable cost” means the maximum amount that a pharmacy benefit manager will reimburse a pharmacy for the cost of a drug.

(f) “Maximum allowable cost list” means a list of drugs for which a maximum allowable cost has been established by a pharmacy benefit manager.

(g) “Obsolete” means a drug that may be listed in national drug pricing compendia but is no longer available to be dispensed based on the expiration date of the last lot manufactured.

(h) “Pharmacy” has the same meaning as provided in Section 4037.

(i) “Pharmacy audit” means an audit, either onsite or remotely, of any records of a pharmacy conducted by or on behalf of a carrier or a pharmacy benefit manager, or a representative thereof, for prescription drugs that were dispensed by that pharmacy to beneficiaries of a health benefit plan pursuant to a contract with the health benefit plan or the issuer or administrator thereof. “Pharmacy audit” does not include a concurrent review or desk audit that occurs within three business days of transmission of a claim, or a concurrent review or desk audit if a chargeback or recoupment is not demanded.

(j) “Pharmacy benefit manager” means a person, business, or other entity that, pursuant to a contract or under an employment relationship with a carrier, health benefit plan sponsor, or other third-party payer, either directly or through an intermediary, manages the prescription drug coverage provided by the carrier, plan sponsor, or other third-party payer, including, but not limited to, the processing and payment of claims for prescription drugs, the performance of drug utilization research, the processing of drug prior authorization requests, the adjudication of appeals or overcharges related to prescription drug coverages, contracting with network pharmacies, and controlling the cost of covered prescription drugs, as described in Section 4037.5.

SEC. 8. Chapter 9.6 (commencing with Section 4445) is added to Division 2 of the Business and Professions Code, to read:

CHAPTER 9.6. Pharmacy Benefit Management

For the purposes of this chapter, the following definitions shall apply:

(a) “Labeler” means a person or entity that receives prescription drugs from a manufacturer or wholesaler and repackages those drugs for later retail sale and who has a labeler code from the federal Food and Drug Administration under Section 207.20 of Title 21 of the Code of Federal Regulations.

(b) “Pharmacy benefit manager” means a person, business, or entity described in Section 4037.5.

(c) “Proprietary information” means trade secrets and information on pricing, costs, revenue, taxes, market share, negotiating strategies, customers, and personnel that is held by a private entity and used for that entity’s business purposes.

(d) “Purchaser” means health benefit plan sponsor or other third-party payer with whom a pharmacy benefit manager contracts to provide the administration and management of prescription drug benefits.

A pharmacy benefit manager has a fiduciary duty to a purchaser and shall discharge that duty in accordance with all applicable laws.

A pharmacy benefit manager shall notify a purchaser in writing of any activity, policy, or practice of the pharmacy benefit manager that directly or indirectly presents a conflict of interest that interferes with the discharge of the pharmacy benefit manager’s fiduciary duty to the purchaser.

(a) Beginning in the second fiscal quarter after the effective date of a contract between a pharmacy benefit manager and a purchaser, the pharmacy benefit manager shall, on a monthly basis, disclose the following information to the purchaser with respect to prescription product benefits specific to the purchaser:

(1) The aggregate acquisition cost from a pharmaceutical manufacturer or labeler for each therapeutic class of drugs.

(2) The aggregate amount of rebates received by the pharmacy benefit manager for each therapeutic class of drugs. The aggregate amount of rebates shall include any utilization discounts the pharmacy benefit manager receives from a pharmaceutical manufacturer or labeler.

(3) Any administrative fees received from a pharmaceutical manufacturer or labeler.

(4) The aggregate of rates negotiated by the pharmacy benefit manager with pharmacies with respect to each therapeutic class of drug.

(5) Prescription drug utilization information for the purchaser’s enrollees or insureds that is not specific to any individual enrollee or insured.

(b) The information disclosed pursuant to subdivision (a) shall include all retail, mail order, specialty, and compounded prescription products.

(c) For the purposes of subdivision (a), a therapeutic class shall include at least two drugs. If there are fewer than two drugs in a therapeutic class, the information required by subdivision (a) shall be reported by therapeutic category.

Except for utilization information, a pharmacy benefit manager need not make the disclosures required by Section 4448 unless and until the purchaser agrees, in writing, to maintain as confidential any proprietary information.

This article shall apply to a contract or a contractual relationship between a pharmacy benefit manager and a purchaser that is entered into, issued, amended, renewed, or delivered on or after January 1, 2018.

This article shall not apply to the following:

(a) A health care service plan or health insurer, if the health care service plan or health insurer offers or provides pharmacy benefit management services and if those services are offered or provided only to enrollees, subscribers, policyholders, or insureds who are also covered by health benefits offered or provided by that health care service plan or health insurer.

(b) An affiliate, subsidiary, related entity, or contracted medical groups of a health care service plan or health insurer that would otherwise qualify as a pharmacy benefit manager but offers or provides services only to enrollees, subscribers, policyholders, or insureds who are also covered by health benefits offered or provided by the health care service plan or health insurer.

No reimbursement is required by this act pursuant to Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution because the only costs that may be incurred by a local agency or school district will be incurred because this act creates a new crime or infraction, eliminates a crime or infraction, or changes the penalty for a crime or infraction, within the meaning of Section 17556 of the Government Code, or changes the definition of a crime within the meaning of Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution.
BILL ANALYSIS

Bill Number: AB 315
Current Version: As Amended April 5, 2017
Author: Wood
Topic: Pharmacy Benefits Management
Board Position: Support

Affected Sections: Amend BPC 4100, 4107.5, 4201, 4430 and 4400; add BPC section 4037.5 and add Article 25 to Chapter 9 of Division 2 of the Business and Professions Code

Status: Referred to Assembly Business and Professions Committee

EXISTING LAW:
Pharmacy law provides for the licensure and regulation of the drug distribution channel, including the businesses that distribute, broker, compound, and dispense as well as the people working in the various businesses, including pharmacists, pharmacy technicians and designated representatives.

THIS BILL WOULD:
Establish the regulatory framework for pharmacy benefits managers including licensure by the board.

STAFF COMMENTS:
The board discussed this measure during its March 2017 board meeting and established a support position. As part of its discussion, the board highlighted its consumer protection mandate and how such a mandate and focus make regulation by the board appropriate. The board’s requirement to perform its policy making in public provides transparency in its decision making. Comments from the board noted that under current contractual requirements, pharmacists are sometimes prohibited from acting in the best interest of their consumers.

SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:
SUPPORT:
California State Board of Pharmacy

OPPOSITION:
Fiscal Impact:

Regulation of PBMs cannot be absorbed within existing resources. Resource needs will be identified. It is anticipated that the cost of licensure will offset the costs for the additional resources.

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SECTION 1. (a) The Legislature hereby finds and declares all of the following:

(1) Greater access to health care professionals improves patient outcomes. Patients see their pharmacist more often than any other health care professional. Making pharmacists readily available should be a top priority of the state.

(2) Health care delivery and technology are evolving. Utilizing technology to connect patients to pharmacists in areas where there is no access will improve medication adherence and outcomes.

(3) Over 30 percent of patients never fill their prescriptions. According to a study by Kaiser, this number drops to 5 percent when patients have more convenient access to a pharmacy. Lack of convenient access to a pharmacy leads to lower rates of medication adherence and, according to the New England Healthcare Institute, nonadherence leads to over $290 billion in avoidable medical spending each year.

(4) Seventy-seven percent of rural counties are designated as health professional shortage areas. In California there are 115 identified areas located in 47 counties where the closest pharmacy is more than 10 miles away.

(5) In rural communities, the geographic and economic realities make it difficult to maintain a pharmacy. Between 2003 and 2013, there was a 12.1-percent decrease in rural pharmacies. Remote dispensing site pharmacies create an economically feasible way to bring pharmacy access to these underserved areas through the use of telepharmacy technology.

(b) It is the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that will promote policies to allow all California patients, regardless of location, to have access to a pharmacist, thereby increasing medication adherence.

SEC. 2. Section 4044.3 is added to the Business and Professions Code, to read:

4044.3. "Remote dispensing site pharmacy" means a licensed pharmacy located in this state that is operated by a supervising pharmacy and staffed by one or more qualified registered pharmacy technicians where pharmaceutical care services, including, but not limited to, the storage and dispensing of prescription drugs and controlled substances, drug regimen review, and patient counseling, are remotely monitored or provided, or both, by a licensed pharmacist through the use of telepharmacy technology.

SEC. 3. Section 4044.5 is added to the Business and Professions Code, to read:

4044.5. "Supervising pharmacy" means a licensed pharmacy located in this state that oversees the activities of a remote dispensing site pharmacy.

SEC. 4. Section 4044.7 is added to the Business and Professions Code, to read:

4044.7. "Telepharmacy" means a system that is used by a supervising pharmacy for the purpose of monitoring the dispensing of prescription drugs and provides for related drug regimen review and patient counseling by an electronic medium, including, but not limited to, the use of audio, visual, still image capture, and store and forward technology.

SEC. 5. Section 4059.5 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

4059.5. (a) Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, dangerous drugs or dangerous devices may only be ordered by an entity licensed by the board and shall be delivered to the licensed premises and signed for and received by a pharmacist. Where a licensee is permitted to operate through a designated representative, the designated representative shall sign for and receive the delivery.

(b) A dangerous drug or dangerous device transferred, sold, or delivered to a person within this state shall be transferred, sold, or delivered only to an entity licensed by the board, to a manufacturer, or to an ultimate user or the ultimate user’s agent.

(c) Notwithstanding subdivisions (a) and (b), deliveries to a hospital pharmacy may be made to a central receiving location within the hospital. However, the dangerous drugs or dangerous devices shall be delivered to the licensed pharmacy premises within one working day following receipt by the hospital, and the pharmacist on duty at that time shall immediately inventory the dangerous drugs or dangerous devices.

(d) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a dangerous drug or dangerous device may be ordered by and provided to a manufacturer, physician, dentist, podiatrist, optometrist, veterinarian, naturopathic doctor pursuant to Section 3640.7, or laboratory, or a physical therapist acting within the scope of his or her license. A person or entity receiving delivery of a dangerous drug or dangerous device, or a duly authorized representative of the person or entity, shall sign for the receipt of the dangerous drug or dangerous device.

(e) A dangerous drug or dangerous device shall not be transferred, sold, or delivered to a person outside this state, whether foreign or domestic, unless the transferor, seller, or deliverer does so in compliance with the laws of this state and of the United States and of the state or country to which the dangerous drugs or dangerous devices are to be transferred, sold, or delivered. Compliance with the laws of this state and the United States and of the state or country to which the dangerous drugs or dangerous devices are to be delivered shall include, but not be limited to, determining that the recipient of the dangerous drugs or dangerous devices is authorized by law to receive the dangerous drugs or dangerous devices.

(f) Notwithstanding subdivision (a), a pharmacy may take delivery of dangerous drugs and dangerous devices when the pharmacy is closed and no pharmacist is on duty if all of the following requirements are met:

(1) The drugs are placed in a secure storage facility in the same building as the pharmacy.

(2) Only the pharmacist-in-charge or a pharmacist designated by the pharmacist-in-charge has access to the secure storage facility after dangerous drugs or dangerous devices have been delivered.

(3) The secure storage facility has a means of indicating whether it has been entered after dangerous drugs or dangerous devices have been delivered.

(4) The pharmacy maintains written policies and procedures for the delivery of dangerous drugs and dangerous devices to a secure storage facility.
The pharmacy shall be responsible for the delivery of dangerous drugs and dangerous devices to a secure storage facility.

Notwithstanding subdivision (a), dangerous drugs and devices and controlled substances may be ordered by a remote dispensing site pharmacy licensed by the board and be signed for and received by a registered pharmacy technician, who meets the qualifications of Section 4132, at the remote site. A controlled substance signed for by a pharmacy technician under this section shall be stored separately from existing inventory until the time the controlled substance is reviewed and countersigned by a pharmacist. The receipt and storage of a controlled substance by a pharmacy technician under this section shall be maintained on video that is accessible to the supervising pharmacy and shall be maintained for 90 days.

SEC. 6. Article 8 (commencing with Section 4130) is added to Chapter 9 of Division 2 of the Business and Professions Code, to read:

Article 8. Telepharmacy Systems and Remote Dispensing Site Pharmacies

4130. (a) A telepharmacy system may be used for the dispensing of prescription drugs and providing related drug regimen review and patient counseling services at a remote dispensing site pharmacy.

(b) If all of the requirements of this article and other relevant provisions of this chapter are met, the board shall issue a remote dispensing site pharmacy license for the purpose of increasing access to dispensing or pharmaceutical care services in the geographic area in which the site is to be located.

(c) (1) A remote dispensing site pharmacy shall only be located in a medically underserved area unless otherwise approved by the board. For purposes of this section, a "medically underserved area" means a location that does not have a pharmacy that serves the general public within 10 road miles of the remote dispensing site.

(2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1), if a pharmacy serving the general public is later established within 10 road miles of a remote dispensing site pharmacy, the remote dispensing site pharmacy may continue to operate.

(d) A remote dispensing site pharmacy shall only be staffed by pharmacists or pharmacy technicians, or both, and shall not employ any unlicensed personnel.

4131. (a) A pharmacy located in this state may serve as a supervising pharmacy to provide telepharmacy services for up to two remote dispensing site pharmacies.

(b) A supervising pharmacy shall not be located greater than 150 road miles from a remote dispensing site pharmacy, unless otherwise approved by the board.

(c) (1) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (2), a supervising pharmacy and remote dispensing site pharmacy shall be under common ownership.

(2) If a supervising pharmacy and a remote dispensing site pharmacy are not under common ownership, the supervising pharmacy and remote dispensing site pharmacy shall enter into a written contract or agreement that specifies the services to be provided and the responsibilities and accountabilities of each party in fulfilling the terms of the contract or agreement, consistent with all federal and state laws.

(d) Unless staffed by a pharmacist, a remote dispensing site pharmacy shall be staffed by at least one registered pharmacy technician meeting the qualifications of Section 4132. A technician shall remain under the direct supervision and control of a pharmacist at the supervising pharmacy at all times that the remote dispensing site pharmacy is operational. For the purposes of this article, direct supervision and control does not require the pharmacist to be physically present at the remote dispensing site pharmacy, but the pharmacist shall use a telepharmacy system to supervise operations through audio and visual technology from the supervising pharmacy.

(e) Notwithstanding any law, a pharmacist may serve as the pharmacist-in-charge for no more than two remote dispensing site pharmacies in addition to serving as pharmacist-in-charge of a supervising pharmacy.

(f) Notwithstanding any law, the pharmacist-in-charge of the remote dispensing site pharmacy and the pharmacist-on-duty at the supervising pharmacy shall be responsible for ensuring that both the supervising pharmacy and remote dispensing site pharmacy are sufficiently staffed to allow for appropriate supervision, which is supervision that would not be reasonably expected to result in an unreasonable risk of harm to public health, safety, or welfare.

4131.5. (a) In addition to the requirements of Section 4202, a pharmacy technician working at a remote dispensing site pharmacy shall have both of the following:

(1) At least one year of experience in the past three years working in retail pharmacy practice.

(2) Completed a documented training program on proper use of the telepharmacy system at the remote dispensing site pharmacy.

(b) Notwithstanding Section 4115, a registered pharmacy technician may perform order entry, packaging, manipulative, repetitive, and other nondiscretionary tasks at a remote dispensing site pharmacy under the supervision of a pharmacist at a supervising pharmacy using a telepharmacy system.

(c) A pharmacy technician at a remote dispensing site pharmacy shall not do any of the following:

(1) Receive a new prescription order orally from a prescriber or other person authorized to prescribe by law.

(2) Consult with a patient or his or her agent regarding a prescription, either prior to or after dispensing, or regarding any medical information contained in a patient medication record system or patient chart.

(3) Identify, evaluate, or interpret a prescription.

(4) Interpret the clinical data in a patient medication record system or patient chart.

(5) Consult with any prescriber, nurse, or other health care professional or authorized agent thereof.

(6) Supervise the packaging of drugs and check the packaging procedure and product upon completion.

(7) Perform any function that requires the professional judgment of a licensed pharmacist.

(d) Notwithstanding Section 4115, a pharmacist at a supervising pharmacy may supervise up to two pharmacy technicians at each remote dispensing site pharmacy. This subdivision shall not be construed to alter a pharmacist’s ability to also supervise pharmacy technicians at the supervising pharmacy.

4131.6. (a) A telepharmacy system shall maintain a video and audio communication system that provides for effective communication between the supervising pharmacy and the remote dispensing site pharmacy's personnel and patients.

(b) A telepharmacy system shall facilitate adequate pharmacist supervision and allow the appropriate exchange of visual, verbal, and written communications for patient counseling and other matters involved in the lawful dispensing of drugs.

(c) Patient counseling shall be provided using audio-visual communication for all prescriptions dispensed from a remote dispensing site pharmacy.

(d) A telepharmacy system shall be able to do all of the following:

(1) Perform any function that requires the professional judgment of a licensed pharmacist.

(2) Consult with a patient or his or her agent regarding a prescription, either prior to or after dispensing, or regarding any medical information contained in a patient medication record system or patient chart.

(3) Consult with any prescriber, nurse, or other health care professional or authorized agent thereof.

(4) Interpret the clinical data in a patient medication record system or patient chart.

(5) Supervise the packaging of drugs and check the packaging procedure and product upon completion.

(6) Perform any function that requires the professional judgment of a licensed pharmacist.
(1) Identify and record the pharmacy technician preparing each prescription and the supervising pharmacist who reviewed and authorized the dispensing of the prescription.

(2) Require a pharmacist to review and compare the electronic image of any new prescription presented at the remote dispensing site pharmacy with the data entry record of the prescription.

(3) Require the pharmacy technician to use barcode technology to verify the accuracy of the drug to be dispensed.

(4) Require remote visual confirmation by a pharmacist at the supervising pharmacy of the drug stock bottle and the drug to be dispensed prior to dispensing.

(5) Ensure that a prescription is not sold or delivered to a patient prior to a pharmacist performing final verification of the accuracy of the prescription and releasing the prescription for sale and delivery.

(e) The video and audio communication system used to counsel and interact with each patient or patient’s caregiver shall be secure and compliant with the federal Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (Public Law 104-191).

(f) All records of prescriptions dispensed shall be maintained at the remote dispensing site pharmacy and shall be maintained for three years after the filling of the prescription.

413a. (a) A pharmacist from the supervising pharmacy shall complete a monthly in-person, self-inspection of each remote dispensing site pharmacy using a form designated by the board and shall retain all inspection reports.

(b) A perpetual inventory shall be kept for all controlled substances stored at a remote dispensing site pharmacy.

(c) All controlled substances at a remote dispensing site pharmacy shall be stored in a secure cabinet or safe that is locked.

(d) A pharmacist from the supervising pharmacy shall perform inventory and inventory reconciliation functions at a remote dispensing site pharmacy to detect and prevent the loss of any controlled substance.

(e) The pharmacist-in-charge of a remote dispensing site pharmacy shall review all inventory and inventory reconciliation reports taken and shall establish and maintain secure methods to prevent losses of any controlled substance. The board shall develop written policies and procedures for performing the inventory reconciliation reports required by this section.

(f) A pharmacist from the supervising pharmacy shall compile an inventory reconciliation report of all Schedule II controlled substances at a remote dispensing site pharmacy at least once every three months. This compilation shall require all of the following:

(1) A physical count, not an estimate, of all quantities of Schedule II controlled substances at the remote dispensing site pharmacy. The biennial inventory of controlled substances as required under federal law may serve as one of the mandated inventories under this section in the year that the federal biennial inventory is performed, provided that the biennial inventory was taken no more than three months from the last inventory required by this section.

(2) A review of all acquisitions and dispositions of Schedule II controlled substances since the last inventory reconciliation report.

(3) A comparison of paragraphs (1) and (2) in order to determine if there are any variances.

(4) All records used to compile each inventory reconciliation report shall be maintained in the remote dispensing site pharmacy for at least three years in a readily retrievable form.

(g) A remote dispensing site pharmacy shall report to the board, in writing, any identified losses of controlled substances and possible causes of the loss within 30 days of discovering the loss unless the cause of loss is theft, diversion, or self-use in which case the report shall be made within 14 days of discovering the loss. If the remote dispensing site pharmacy is unable to identify the cause of the loss, the remote dispensing site pharmacy shall undertake further investigation to identify the cause of the loss and security improvements necessary to prevent any additional losses of controlled substances.

(h) Possible causes of overages shall be identified in writing and incorporated into the inventory reconciliation report.

(i) The inventory reconciliation report shall be dated and signed by the individual or individuals performing the inventory and countersigned by the pharmacist-in-charge of the remote dispensing site pharmacy. A countersignature shall not be required if the pharmacist-in-charge personally completed the inventory reconciliation report. The inventory reconciliation report shall be maintained in the remote dispensing site pharmacy for at least three years in a readily retrievable form.

413a. (a) While closed, a remote dispensing site pharmacy shall utilize an alarm or other comparable monitoring system to protect its equipment, records, and supply of drugs, devices, and other restricted sale items from unauthorized access, acquisition, or use.

(b) Unless a pharmacist is present at the remote dispensing site pharmacy, a remote dispensing site pharmacy shall not be open or its employees allowed access to it during times the supervising pharmacy is closed. The security system shall allow for tracking of entries into the remote dispensing site pharmacy and the pharmacist-in-charge shall periodically review the record of entries.

(c) The remote dispensing site pharmacy shall retain a recording of facility surveillance, excluding patient communications, for a minimum of 90 days.

sec 7. No reimbursement is required by this act pursuant to Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution because the only costs that may be incurred by a local agency or school district will be incurred because this act creates a new crime or infraction, eliminates a crime or infraction, or changes the penalty for a crime or infraction, within the meaning of Section 17556 of the Government Code, or changes the definition of a crime within the meaning of Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution.
EXISTING LAW:
Pharmacy law provide for the licensure and regulation of the drug distribution channel including pharmacies that dispense medications as well as the pharmacists, pharmacist interns and pharmacy technicians.

THIS BILL WOULD:
Would allow for dispensing of medications in a remote dispensing site pharmacy via a telepharmacy system. As proposed, a pharmacist would not be present in the remote dispensing site but would supervise the pharmacy dispensing and management using a telepharmacy system. More specifically this bill would:

1. Makes legislative findings and declarations about the benefits of greater access to healthcare professional and the role pharmacists play given their accessibility, improvements in health care delivery and technology that can be used to connect patients to pharmacists in rural areas and identified reduction in pharmacies in rural communities.
2. States it is the intent of the legislature to enact legislation that will promote policies to allow Californians to have access to a patient, thereby increasing medication adherence.
3. Defines “Remote dispensing site pharmacy” (RDSP) as a pharmacy licensed in California that is operated by a supervising pharmacy and staff by licensed pharmacy technicians that is remotely monitored by a licensed pharmacist through the use of a telepharmacy technology.
4. Defines “supervising pharmacy” as a pharmacy located in California that oversees the activities of the RDSP.
5. Defines “telepharmacy” as a system used by a supervising pharmacy for purposes of monitoring the dispensing of medications, providing drug regimen review and patient consultation via an electronic method.
6. Would allow for the ordering of dangerous drugs and controlled substances at the RDSP and allow pharmacy technicians to sign for and receive shipments. Would require controlled substances deliveries to be stored separately until the order is reviewed and countersigned by a pharmacy.

7. Would establish the regulatory framework for an RDSP including licensure of the site if the following conditions are met:
   a. It can only be located in a medically underserved area, as defined, unless otherwise approved by the board.
   b. Can only be staff with licensed pharmacists and pharmacy technicians.
   c. The supervising pharmacy must be within 150 road miles of the RDSP unless otherwise approved by the board and the supervising pharmacy must be under common ownership unless a contractual relationship exists that specifies the services to be provided and the roles and responsibilities of each party.
   d. A pharmacist supervising operations through audio and visual technology.
   e. The pharmacist-in-charge (PIC) of the RDSP and the supervising pharmacist on duty at the supervising pharmacy shall be responsible for ensuring both locations are sufficiently staff to allow for appropriate supervision.

8. Would establish additional requirements for pharmacy technicians working in an RDSP and would not expand the functions a pharmacy technician could perform in the RDSP.

9. Would allow a supervising pharmacy to supervise to RDSPs including up to two pharmacy technicians as each site. (This would be in addition to the technicians the pharmacist may also be supervising at the pharmacy.)

10. Would require patient consultation for all prescriptions dispensed from a RDSP

11. Would require the telepharmacy system to collect the following:
   a. Identity and record of the pharmacy technician preparing each prescription and the supervising pharmacist who reviewed and authorized the dispensing.
   b. Require a pharmacists review and comparison of the electronic image of a new prescription with the data entry performed
   c. Require the technician to use barcode technology to verify the accuracy of the drug to be dispensed as well as remote visual confirmation by a pharmacist of the drug stock bottle and drug to be dispensed
   d. Ensure that a prescription is not sold or delivered prior to final verification and releasing the prescription for sale and delivery.
   e. Would require HIPPA compliance.
   f. Would maintain records of three years.

12. Would require a pharmacist from the supervising pharmacy to complete an in-person month self-inspection and require a perpetual inventory for all controlled substances.

13. Would require controlled substances to be stored in a secure or sake that is locked and require a pharmacist from the supervising pharmacy to perform inventory any inventory reconciliation functions to detect and prevent drug losses.

14. Would require the board to establish written policies and procedures for performing inventory reconciliation reports.

15. Would establish inventory control and reconciliation consistent with the board’s pending regulations.
16. Would require use of an alarm or other monitoring system while the RDSP is closed and prohibit access at all times when the supervising pharmacy is closed unless a pharmacist is present at the RDSP.

**STAFF COMMENTS:**
Policy discussion items: Should the law indicated that the both the RDSP and supervising pharmacist are jointly responsible for violations of pharmacy law. Also, where is the requirement for a PIC in an RDSP?? Should compounding be prohibited in an RDSP? How would patient consultation be provided on a drug that is delivered and/or how would the patient contact a pharmacist is questions arose?? In lieu of (e) can we just reference requirements in proposed regulations??

**SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:**

**SUPPORT:**
California Pharmacists Association
Cardinal Health

**OPPOSITION:**
None on file

**Fiscal Impact:**
According to the author’s office, it is estimate that there are approximately 115 underserved communities. There is no current fee established in this measure. Board staff estimates the need for ½ analyst to establish and manage the new licensing program. Further the DCA has estimated $196,000 costs. Board staff suggests identification of a fee to offset these additional expenses.

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An act to amend Section 117904 of the Health and Safety Code, relating to public health.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

AB 444, as introduced, Ting. Medical waste: home-generated sharps waste.

The Medical Waste Management Act, among other things, authorizes a local agency to approve, as part of a medical waste management program, a location as a point of consolidation for the collection of home-generated sharps waste, which, after collection, is transported and treated as medical waste. The act requires sharps containers at a home-generated sharps consolidation point that are ready for disposal to not be held more than 7 days, except as provided.

This bill would extend the time period that sharps containers at a home-generated sharps consolidation point may be held from 7 to 14 days.


The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 117904 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

1. In addition to the consolidation points authorized pursuant to Section 118147, the enforcement agency may approve
a location as a point of consolidation for the collection of home-generated sharps waste, which, after collection, shall be transported and treated as medical waste.

(b) A consolidation location approved pursuant to this section shall be known as a “home-generated sharps consolidation point.”

(c) A home-generated sharps consolidation point is not subject to the requirements of Chapter 9 (commencing with Section 118275), to the permit or registration requirements of this part, or to any permit or registration fees, with regard to the activity of consolidating home-generated sharps waste pursuant to this section.

(d) A home-generated sharps consolidation point shall comply with all of the following requirements:

(1) All sharps waste shall be placed in sharps containers.

(2) Sharps containers ready for disposal shall not be held for more than seven days without the written approval of the enforcement agency.

(e) An operator of a home-generated sharps consolidation point approved pursuant to this section shall not be considered the generator of that waste, but shall be listed on the tracking documents in compliance with the United States Postal Service requirements for waste shipped through mail back and on the tracking documents as required by the department.

(f) The medical waste treatment facility which treats the sharps waste subject to this section shall maintain the tracking document required by Sections 118040 and 118165 with regard to that sharps waste.
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Topic: Medical Waste: Home-Generated Sharps Waste

Staff Recommendation: None

AFFECTED SECTIONS: Amend HSC section 117904

STATUS: Assembly Environmental Safety and Toxic Materials Committee hearing April 25, 2017

EXISTING LAW:
Provides for the consolidation and collection of home-generated sharps waste that can be transported and treated as medical waste.

THIS BILL WOULD:
Allow for the time period that sharps containers may be held at a consolidation point to increase from 7 to 14 days.

STAFF COMMENTS:
Board staff was advised that the measure will not be moving in its current form but will be amended to address the larger issue of pharmaceutical waste.

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SECTION 1. Section 4025.2 is added to the Business and Professions Code, to read:

4025.2. “Nonprescription diabetes test device” means a glucose meter or test strip for use in the treatment of prediabetic or diabetic individuals that may be sold without a prescription and that is labeled for use by the consumer in accordance with the requirements of the laws and rules of this state and the federal government.

SEC. 2. Section 4057 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

4057. (a) Except as provided in Sections 4006, 4240, and Section 4006, subdivision (d) of Section 4081, Section 4240, subdivision (t) of Section 4301, and Section 4342, this chapter does not apply to the retail sale of nonprescription drugs that are not subject to Section 4022 and that are packaged or bottled in the manufacturer’s or distributor’s container and labeled in accordance with applicable federal and state drug labeling requirements.

(b) This chapter does not apply to specific dangerous drugs and dangerous devices listed in board regulations, where the sale or furnishing is made to any of the following:

(1) A physician, dentist, podiatrist, pharmacist, medical technician, medical technologist, optometrist, or chiropractor holding a currently valid and unrevoked license and acting within the scope of his or her profession.

(2) A clinic, hospital, institution, or establishment holding a currently valid and unrevoked license or permit under Division 2 (commencing with Section 1200) of the Health and Safety Code, or Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 3300) of Division 3 of, or Part 2 (commencing with Section 6250) of Division 6 of, the Welfare and Institutions Code.

(c) This chapter shall not apply to a home health agency licensed under Chapter 8 (commencing with Section 1725) of, or a hospice licensed under Chapter 8.5 (commencing with Section 1745) of, Division 2 of, the Health and Safety Code, when it purchases, stores, furnishes, or transports specific dangerous drugs and dangerous devices listed in board regulations in compliance with applicable law and regulations including:

(1) Dangerous devices described in subdivision (b) of Section 4022, as long as these dangerous devices are furnished only upon the prescription or order of a physician, dentist, or podiatrist.

(2) Hypodermic needles and syringes.

(3) Irrigation solutions of 50 cubic centimeters or greater.

(d) This chapter does not apply to the storage of devices in secure central or ward supply areas of a clinic, hospital, institution, or establishment holding a currently valid and unrevoked license or permit pursuant to Division 2 (commencing with Section 1200) of the Health and Safety Code, or pursuant to Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 3300) of Division 3 of, or Part 2 (commencing with Section 6250) of Division 6 of, the Welfare and Institutions Code.

(e) This chapter does not apply to the retail sale of vitamins, mineral products, or combinations thereof or to foods, supplements, or nutrients used to fortify the diet of humans or other animals or poultry and labeled as such that are not subject to Section 4022 and that are packaged or bottled in the manufacturer’s or distributor’s container and labeled in accordance with applicable federal and state labeling requirements.

(f) This chapter does not apply to the furnishing of dangerous drugs and dangerous devices to recognized schools of nursing. These dangerous drugs and dangerous devices shall not include controlled substances. The dangerous drugs and dangerous devices shall be used for training purposes only, and not for the cure, mitigation, or treatment of disease in humans. Recognized schools of nursing for purposes of this subdivision are those schools recognized as training facilities by the California Board of Registered Nursing.

SEC. 3. Section 4081 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

4081. (a) All records of manufacture and of sale, acquisition, receipt, shipment, or disposition of dangerous drugs or dangerous devices shall be at all times during business hours open to inspection by authorized officers of the law, and shall be preserved for at least three years from the date of making. A current inventory shall be kept by every manufacturer, wholesaler, third-party logistics provider, pharmacy, veterinary food-animal drug retailer, outsourcing facility, physician, dentist, podiatrist, veterinarian, laboratory, clinic, hospital, institution, or
establishment holding a currently valid and unrevoked certificate, license, permit, registration, or exemption under Division 2 (commencing with Section 1200) of the Health and Safety Code or under Part 4 (commencing with Section 16000) of Division 9 of the Welfare and Institutions Code who maintains a stock of dangerous drugs or dangerous devices.

(b) The owner, officer, and partner of a pharmacy, wholesaler, third-party logistics provider, or veterinary food-animal drug retailer shall be jointly responsible, with the pharmacist-in-charge, responsible manager, or designated representative-in-charge, for maintaining the records and inventory described in this section.

(c) The pharmacist-in-charge, responsible manager, or designated representative-in-charge shall not be criminally responsible for acts of the owner, officer, partner, or employee that violate this section and of which the pharmacist-in-charge, responsible manager, or designated representative-in-charge had no knowledge, or in which he or she did not knowingly participate.

(d) Pharmacies that dispense nonprescription diabetes test devices pursuant to prescriptions shall retain records of acquisition and sale of those nonprescription diabetes devices for at least three years from the date of making. The records shall be at all times during business hours open to inspection by authorized officers of the law.

**SEC. 4.** Section 4160.5 is added to the Business and Professions Code, to read:

> 4160.5. On and after January 1, 2018, a manufacturer of a nonprescription diabetes test device shall make the names of its authorized distributors available on its Internet Web site and shall provide the board with the names of its authorized distributors. The board shall post the names of authorized distributors of nonprescription diabetes test devices on the board’s Internet Web site. A manufacturer of a nonprescription diabetes test device shall, within 30 days of making changes to its authorized distributors, update its Internet Web site and inform the board of changes to its authorized distributors.

**SEC. 5.** Section 4301 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

> 4301. The board shall take action against any holder of a license who is guilty of unprofessional conduct or whose license has been issued by mistake. Unprofessional conduct shall include, but is not limited to, any of the following:

(a) Procurement of a license by fraud or misrepresentation.

(b) Incompetence.

(c) Gross negligence.

(d) The clearly excessive furnishing of controlled substances in violation of subdivision (a) of Section 11153 of the Health and Safety Code.

(e) The clearly excessive furnishing of controlled substances in violation of subdivision (a) of Section 11153.5 of the Health and Safety Code. Factors to be considered in determining whether the furnishing of controlled substances is clearly excessive shall include, but not be limited to, the amount of controlled substances furnished, the previous ordering pattern of the customer (including size and frequency of orders), the type and size of the customer, and where and to whom the customer distributes its product.

(f) The commission of any act involving moral turpitude, dishonesty, fraud, deceit, or corruption, whether the act is committed in the course of relations as a licensee or otherwise, and whether the act is a felony or misdemeanor or not.

(g) Knowingly making or signing any certificate or other document that falsely represents the existence or nonexistence of a state of facts.

(h) The administering to oneself, of any controlled substance, or the use of any dangerous drug or of alcoholic beverages to the extent or in a manner as to be dangerous or injurious to oneself, to a person holding a license under this chapter, or to any other person or to the public, or to the extent that the use impairs the ability of the person to conduct with safety to the public the practice authorized by the license.

(i) Except as otherwise authorized by law, knowingly selling, furnishing, giving away, or administering, or offering to sell, furnish, give away, or administer, any controlled substance to an addict.

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(j) The violation of any of the statutes of this state, of any other state, or of the United States regulating controlled substances and dangerous drugs.

(k) The conviction of more than one misdemeanor or any felony involving the use, consumption, or self-administration of any dangerous drug or alcoholic beverage, or any combination of those substances.

(l) The conviction of a crime substantially related to the qualifications, functions, and duties of a licensee under this chapter. The record of conviction of a violation of Chapter 13 (commencing with Section 801) of Title 21 of the United States Code regulating controlled substances or of a violation of the statutes of this state regulating controlled substances or dangerous drugs shall be conclusive evidence of unprofessional conduct. In all other cases, the record of conviction shall be conclusive evidence only of the fact that the conviction occurred. The board may inquire into the circumstances surrounding the commission of the crime, in order to fix the degree of discipline or, in the case of a conviction not involving controlled substances or dangerous drugs, to determine if the conviction is of an offense substantially related to the qualifications, functions, and duties of a licensee under this chapter. A plea or verdict of guilty or a conviction following a plea of nolo contendere is deemed to be a conviction within the meaning of this provision. The board may take action when the time for appeal has elapsed, or the judgment of conviction has been affirmed on appeal or when an order granting probation is made suspending the imposition of sentence, irrespective of a subsequent order under Section 1203.4 of the Penal Code allowing the person to withdraw his or her plea of guilty and to enter a plea of not guilty, or setting aside the verdict of guilty, or dismissing the accusation, information, or indictment.

(m) The cash compromise of a charge of violation of Chapter 13 (commencing with Section 801) of Title 21 of the United States Code regulating controlled substances or of Chapter 7 (commencing with Section 14000) of Part 3 of Division 9 of the Welfare and Institutions Code relating to the Medi-Cal program.

(n) The revocation, suspension, or other discipline by another state of a license to practice pharmacy, operate a pharmacy, or do any other act for which a license is required by this chapter that would be grounds for revocation, suspension, or other discipline under this chapter. Any disciplinary action taken by the board pursuant to this section shall be coterminous with action taken by another state, except that the term of any discipline taken by the board may exceed that of another state, consistent with the board's enforcement guidelines. The evidence of discipline by another state is conclusive proof of unprofessional conduct.

(o) Violating or attempting to violate, directly or indirectly, or assisting in or abetting the violation of or conspiring to violate any provision or term of this chapter or of the applicable federal and state laws and regulations governing pharmacy, including regulations established by the board or by any other state or federal regulatory agency.

(p) Actions or conduct that would have warranted denial of a license.

(q) Engaging in any conduct that subverts or attempts to subvert an investigation of the board.

(r) The selling, trading, transferring, or furnishing of drugs obtained pursuant to Section 256b of Title 42 of the United States Code to any person a licensee knows or reasonably should have known, not to be a patient of a covered entity, as defined in paragraph (4) of subsection (a) of Section 256b of Title 42 of the United States Code.

(s) The clearly excessive furnishing of dangerous drugs by a wholesaler to a pharmacy that primarily or solely dispenses prescription drugs to patients of long-term care facilities. Factors to be considered in determining whether the furnishing of dangerous drugs is clearly excessive shall include, but not be limited to, the amount of dangerous drugs furnished to a pharmacy that primarily or solely dispenses prescription drugs to patients of long-term care facilities, the previous ordering pattern of the pharmacy, and the general patient population to whom the pharmacy distributes the dangerous drugs. That a wholesaler has established, and employs, a tracking system that complies with the requirements of subdivision (b) of Section 4164 shall be considered in determining whether there has been a violation of this subdivision. This provision shall not be interpreted to require a wholesaler to obtain personal medical information or be authorized to permit a wholesaler to have access to personal medical information except as otherwise authorized by Section 56 and following of the Civil Code. For purposes of this section, “long-term care facility” shall have the same meaning given the term in Section 1418 of the Health and Safety Code.

(t) The submission of a reimbursement claim for a nonprescription diabetes test device to a pharmaceutical benefit manager, health insurer, government agency, or other third-party payor when the licensee knew or reasonably should have known that the diabetes test device was not purchased either directly from the manufacturer or from the nonprescription diabetes test device manufacturer's authorized distributors as identified in Section 4106.5.
sec. 6. No reimbursement is required by this act pursuant to Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution because the only costs that may be incurred by a local agency or school district will be incurred because this act creates a new crime or infraction, eliminates a crime or infraction, or changes the penalty for a crime or infraction, within the meaning of Section 17556 of the Government Code, or changes the definition of a crime within the meaning of Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution.
BILL ANALYSIS

Bill Number: AB 602
Current Version: As Amended March 28, 2017
Author: Bonta
Topic: Nonprescription Diabetes Test Devices
Staff Recommendation: Support if Amended

AFFECTED SECTIONS: Amend BPC sections 4057, 4081 and 4301, and adds BPC sections 4025.2 and 4160.5

Status: Referred to Assembly Appropriations Committee

EXISTING LAW:
Existing law provides for the licensing and regulation of practice of pharmacy. As part of this, the board has the authority to take action against a licensee for unprofessional conduct. Pharmacy law also establishes recordkeeping requirements.

THIS BILL WOULD:
1. Define “nonprescription diabetes test device” as a glucose meter or test strip used for treatment of diabetic or prediabetes individuals that may be sold without a prescription.
2. Require a pharmacy that dispenses nonprescription diabetes test devices pursuant to a prescription to retain records of acquisition and sale for at least three years.
3. Require the board to post the names of authorized distributors of nonprescription diabetes test devices as provided by manufacturers.
4. Specify that it is unprofessional conduct to seek reimbursement for a nonprescription diabetes test device if the licensee knew or reasonably should have known that the device was not purchased either from a manufacturer or authorized distributor.

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An act to add Section 115.7 to the Business and Professions Code, relating to professions and vocations.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

AB 703, as introduced, Flora. Professions and vocations: licenses: fee waivers.

Existing law provides for the licensure and regulation of various professions and vocations by boards within the Department of Consumer Affairs. Existing law requires a board within the department to expedite the licensure process for an applicant who is married to, or in a domestic partnership or other legal union with, an active duty member of the Armed Forces of the United States who is assigned to a duty station in this state if the applicant holds a current license in the same profession or vocation in another state, district, or territory. Existing law also requires a board to issue temporary licenses in specified professions to applicants as described above if certain requirements are met.

This bill would require every board within the Department of Consumer Affairs to grant a fee waiver for application and issuance of an initial license for an applicant who is married to, or in a domestic partnership or other legal union with, an active duty member of the Armed Forces of the United States if the applicant holds a current license in the same profession or vocation in another state, district, or territory. The bill would require that an applicant be granted fee waivers for both the application for and issuance of a license if the board charges fees for both. The bill would prohibit fee waivers from being issued for
renewal of a license, for an additional license, a certificate, a registration, or a permit associated with the initial license, or for the application for an examination.


The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 115.7 is added to the Business and Professions Code, to read:

115.7. (a) Notwithstanding any other law, every board within the department of Consumer Affairs shall grant a fee waiver for the application for and issuance of an initial license to an applicant who does both of the following:

(1) Supplies satisfactory evidence of being married to, or in a domestic partnership or other legal union with an active duty member of the Armed Forces of the United States.

(2) Holds a current, active, and unrestricted license that confers upon him or her the authority to practice, in another state, district, or territory of the United States, the profession or vocation for which he or she seeks a license from the board.

(b) If a board charges a fee for the application for a license and another fee for the issuance of a license, the applicant shall be granted fee waivers for both the application for and issuance of a license.

(c) A fee waiver shall not be issued for any of the following:

(1) Renewal of an existing California license.

(2) The application for and issuance of an additional license, a certificate, a registration, or a permit associated with the initial license.

(3) The application for an examination.
Bill Number: AB 703
Current Version: As Introduced February 15, 2017
Author: Flora
Topic: Licenses: Fee Waivers
Staff Recommendation: None

AFFECTED SECTIONS: Add Section 115.7 to the Business and Professions Code

STATUS: Referred to Assembly Business and Professions Committee

EXISTING LAW:
Requires the board to expedite the processing of an application of an individual who is married to, or in a domestic partnership or other legal union with, an active duty member of the US military.

THIS BILL WOULD:
Require the board to waive the application fee for such individuals.

FISCAL IMPACT:
The measure would result in an estimated $4,000 - $5,000 cost annually.

SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:
None on file

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An act to amend Section 101.6 101.7 of the Business and Professions Code, relating to professions and vocations.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

Existing law provides for the licensure and regulation of various professions and vocations by boards within the Department of Consumer Affairs. Existing law generally requires these boards to meet at least 3 times each calendar year, and at least once in northern California and once in southern California per calendar year.
This bill would require a board to meet once every other calendar year in rural northern California.
Existing law provides for the licensure and regulation of various professions and vocations by boards within the Department of Consumer Affairs. Existing law provides that these boards are established to ensure that private businesses and professions are regulated to protect the people of this state.
This bill would make a nonsubstantive change to this provision.
The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 101.7 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

101.7. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, boards shall meet at least three times each calendar year. Boards shall meet at least once each calendar year in northern California, once every other calendar year in rural northern California, and once each calendar year in southern California in order to facilitate participation by the public and its licensees.

(b) The director at his or her discretion may exempt any board from the requirement in subdivision (a) upon a showing of good cause that the board is not able to meet at least three times in a calendar year.

(c) The director may call for a special meeting of the board when a board is not fulfilling its duties.

(d) An agency within the department that is required to provide a written notice pursuant to subdivision (a) of Section 11125 of the Government Code, may provide that notice by regular mail, email, or by both regular mail and email. An agency shall give a person who requests a notice the option of receiving the notice by regular mail, email, or by both regular mail and email. The agency shall comply with the requester’s chosen form or forms of notice.

(e) An agency that plans to Web cast a meeting shall include in the meeting notice required pursuant to subdivision (a) of Section 11125 of the Government Code a statement of the board’s intent to Web cast the meeting. An agency may Web cast a meeting even if the agency fails to include that statement of intent in the notice.

SECTION 1. Section 101.6 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

101.6. The boards, bureaus, and commissions in the department are established for the purpose of ensuring that those private businesses and professions deemed to engage in activities that have potential impact upon the public health, safety, and welfare are adequately regulated in order to protect the people of California. To this end, they establish minimum qualifications and levels of competency and license persons desiring to engage in the occupations they regulate upon determining that such persons possess the requisite skills and qualifications necessary to provide safe and effective services to the public, or register or otherwise
certify persons in order to identify practitioners and ensure performance according to set and accepted professional standards. They provide a means for redress of grievances by investigating allegations of unprofessional conduct, incompetence, fraudulent action, or unlawful activity brought to their attention by members of the public and institute disciplinary action against persons licensed or registered under the provisions of this code when such action is warranted. In addition, they conduct periodic checks of licensees, registrants, or otherwise certified persons in order to ensure compliance with the relevant sections of this code.
**Bill Analysis**

**Bill Number:** AB 710  
**Current Version:** As Amended March 27, 2017  
**Author:** Wood  
**Topic:** Department of Consumer Affairs  
**Staff Recommendation:** None

### Affected Sections:
Amend Section 101.7 to the Business and Professions Code

### Status:
Referred to Assembly Business and Professions Committee

### Existing Law:
Requires boards within the DCA to meet at least three times a year and at least once in northern California and once in southern California per year.

### This Bill Would:
Require boards to meet once every other calendar year in rural northern California.

### Fiscal Impact:
Staff is working to determine the estimated cost impact.

### Support / Opposition:
None on file.

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An act to add Part 12.5 (commencing with Section 15930) to Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code, relating to economic development.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

AB 767, as introduced, Quirk-Silva. Master Business License Act.
Existing law authorizes various state agencies to issue permits and licenses in accordance with specified requirements to conduct business within this state. Existing law establishes the Governor’s Office of Business and Economic Development to serve the Governor as the lead entity for economic strategy and the marketing of California on issues relating to business development, private sector investment, and economic growth. Existing law creates within the Governor’s Office of Business and Economic Development the Office of Small Business Advocate to advocate for the causes of small business and to provide small businesses with the information they need to survive in the marketplace.

This bill would create within the Governor’s Office of Business and Economic Development, or its successor, a business license center to develop and administer a computerized master business license system to simplify the process of engaging in business in this state. The bill would set forth the duties and responsibilities of the business license center. The bill would require each state agency to cooperate and provide reasonable assistance to the office to implement these provisions.

This bill would authorize a person that applies for 2 or more business licenses that have been incorporated into the master business license
system to submit a master application to the office requesting the issuance of the licenses. The bill would require the office to develop and adopt an Internet-based platform that allows the business to electronically submit the master application to the office, as well as the payment of every fee required to obtain each requested license and a master application fee, which would be deposited into the Master License Fund, which would be created by the bill. The bill would authorize moneys in the fund, upon appropriation, to be expended only to administer this bill or be transferred to the appropriate licensing agencies. The bill would also require, upon issuance of the license or licenses, the office to transfer the fees, except for the master license fee, to the appropriate accounts under the applicable statutes for those regulatory agencies’ licenses.

The bill would require the office to establish a reasonable fee for each master license application and to collect those fees for deposit into the Master License Fund established by this bill. Funds derived from the master license application fees would be expended to administer the master business license program upon appropriation by the Legislature. The bill would require the license fees of the regulatory agencies deposited into the fund to be transferred to the appropriate accounts of the regulatory agencies, as provided.

The bill would require the office, in consultation with other regulatory agencies, to establish a uniform business identification number for each business that would be recognized by all affected state agencies and used to facilitate the information sharing between state agencies and to improve customer service to businesses.

The bill would also require the Director of Small Business Advocate to work with small business owners and all regulatory agencies to ensure the state’s implementation of a consolidated business license and permit system.


The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Part 12.5 (commencing with Section 15930) is added to Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code, to read:
PART 12.5. MASTER BUSINESS LICENSE ACT

Chapter 1. General Provisions

15930. This part may be known, and may be cited as, the Master Business Licence Act.

15931. As used in this part, the following words shall have the following meanings:

(a) “Business license center” means the business registration and licensing center established by this part and located in and under the administrative control of the office.

(b) “Director” means the Director of the Governor’s Office of Business and Economic Development.

(c) “License information packet” means a collection of information about licensing requirements and application procedures custom assembled for each request.

(d) “License” means the whole or part of any state agency permit, license, certificate, approval, registration, charter, or any form or permission required by law, including agency regulation, to engage in any activity.

(e) “Master application” means a document incorporating pertinent data from existing applications for licenses covered under this part.

(f) “Master business license system” or “system” means the mechanism by which licenses are issued, license and regulatory information is disseminated, and account data is exchanged by state agencies.

(g) “Office” means the Governor’s Office of Business and Economic Development or its successor.

(h) “Person” means any individual, sole proprietorship, partnership, association, cooperative, corporation, nonprofit organization, state or local government agency, and any other organization required to register with the state to do business in the state and to obtain one or more licenses from the state or any of its agencies.

(i) “Regulatory” means all licensing and other governmental or statutory requirements pertaining to business activities.

(j) “Regulatory agency” means any state agency, board, commission, or division that regulates one or more industries, businesses, or activities.
Chapter 2. Business License Center

15932. (a) There is created within the office a business license center.
   (b) The duties of the center shall include, but not be limited to,
       all of the following:
       (1) Developing and administering a computerized onestop
           master business license system capable of storing, retrieving, and
           exchanging license information with due regard to privacy statutes.
       (2) Providing a license information service detailing
           requirements to establish or engage in business in this state.
       (3) Identifying types of licenses appropriate for inclusion in the
           master business license system.
       (4) Recommending in reports to the Governor and the
           Legislature the elimination, consolidation, or other modification
           of duplicative, ineffective, or inefficient licensing or inspection
           requirements.
       (5) Incorporating licenses into the master business license
           system.

15933. (a) The director may adopt regulations as may be
        necessary to effectuate the purposes of this part.
        (b) The director shall encourage state entities to participate in
            the online master business license system.

15934. Each state agency shall cooperate and provide
        reasonable assistance to the office in the implementation of this
        part.

Chapter 3. Master License

15935. (a) Any person that applies for two or more business
        licenses that have been incorporated into the master business
        license system may submit a master application to the office
        requesting the issuance of the licenses. The office shall develop
        and adopt an Internet-based platform that allows the business to
        electronically submit the master application to the office, as well
        as the payment of every fee required to obtain each requested
        license and a master application fee established pursuant to Section
        15936.
        (b) Irrespective of any authority delegated to the office to
            implement this part, the authority for approving the issuance and
renewal of any requested license that requires a prelicensing or renewal investigation, inspection, testing, or other judgmental review by the regulatory agency otherwise legally authorized to issue the license shall remain with that agency.

(c) Upon receipt of the application and proper fee payment for any license for which issuance is subject to regulatory agency action under subdivision (a), the office shall immediately notify the business of receipt of the application and fees.

15936. The office shall establish a fee for each master application that does exceed the reasonable costs of administering this part and collect that fee.

15937. All fees collected under the master business license system, including the master license application fee and the fees of the regulatory agencies, shall be deposited into the Master License Fund, which is hereby created in the State Treasury. Moneys in the fund from master application fees may, upon appropriation by the Legislature, be expended only to administer this part or be transferred to the appropriate licensing agencies. Moneys in the fund from other fees shall be transferred to the appropriate accounts under the applicable statutes for those regulatory agencies’ licenses.

Chapter 4. Uniform Business Identification Number

15940. (a) The office, in consultation with other regulatory agencies, shall establish a uniform business identification number for each business. The uniform business identification number shall be recognized by all affected state agencies and shall be used by state agencies to facilitate information sharing between state agencies and to improve customer service to businesses.

(b) It is the intent of the Legislature that the uniform business number would permit the office to do both of the following:

(1) Register a business with multiple state agencies electronically as licenses and permits are processed.

(2) Input and update information regarding a business once, thereby reducing the number of duplicate or conflicting records from one state agency to another.
Chapter 5. Oversight

The Director of Small Business Advocate from the Governor’s Office of Planning and Research shall work with small business owners and all regulatory agencies to ensure the state’s implementation of a consolidated business license and permit system under this part.
**BILL ANALYSIS**

**Bill Number:** AB 767

**Current Version:** As Introduced February 25, 2017

**Author:** Quirk-Silva

**Topic:** Master Business License Act

**Staff Recommendation:** None

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**AFFECTED SECTIONS:** Add Part 12.5 of Division 3 of Title 2 to the Government Code

**STATUS:** Assembly Jobs Economic Development and the Economy Committee hearing April 25, 2017

**THIS BILL WOULD:**
Create a business license center within the Governor’s Office of Business and Economic Development that shall be responsible for administering a master business license system to simplify the process of engaging in business in this state.

**STAFF COMMENTS:**
Assuming all site licenses require judgment by the board, staff does not believe the board will lose authority to issue the license under the measure. However, questions still exist if/how the board would be required to share information with the master system and if so, how much information would be shared. It is also unclear what licenses would be included as part of the master license as in its current form the language states that regulations would be developed to specify this information.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**
The DCA has identified fiscal costs associated with the measure. The board’s portions of these costs include one-time costs of $948,623.85 and ongoing costs of $24,220.18.

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SECTION 1. This act shall be known as the California Opportunity Act of 2017.

SEC. 2. Section 110.5 is added to the Business and Professions Code, to read:

110.5. (a) The Department of Consumer Affairs shall create a task force to study and write the report described in subdivision (c) regarding the licensing of foreign-trained professionals with the goal of integrating foreign-trained professionals into the state’s workforce.

(b) The task force shall consist of the following 15 members:

(1) The Director of Consumer Affairs, or his or her designee, who shall serve as the chair of the task force.

(2) One member appointed by the Governor.

(3) One member appointed by the President pro Tempore of the Senate.

(4) One member appointed by the Speaker of the Assembly.

(5) One member of the Regents of the University of California.

(6) One member of the Trustees of the California State University.

(7) One member of the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges.

(8) Four members appointed by the Governor who are representatives of the private sector from diverse regions in the state.

(9) Four members appointed by the Governor who are representatives of nonprofit organizations that serve the immigrant community from diverse regions in the state.

(c) (1) The task force shall write a report of its findings and recommendations regarding the licensing of foreign-trained professionals, that include, but are not limited to, the following:

(A) Strategies to integrate foreign-trained professionals and methods of implementing those strategies, including those recommended by the Little Hoover Commission in its October 2016 report entitled Jobs for Californians: Strategies to Ease Occupational Licensing Barriers (Report #234).

(B) Identification of state and national licensing regulations that potentially pose unnecessary barriers to practice for foreign-trained professionals, corresponding changes to state licensing requirements, and opportunities to advocate for corresponding changes to national licensing requirements.

(C) Identification of best practices learned from similar efforts to integrate foreign-trained professionals into the workforce in other states.

(2) The task force may include in the report guidelines for full licensure and conditional licensing of foreign-trained professionals.

(3) The task force may hold hearings and invite testimony from experts and the public to gather information.

(d) The task force shall submit the report described in subdivision (c) to the Legislature no later than January 1, 2019, and in compliance with Section 9795 of the Government Code.

(e) The following shall also apply:

(1) The task force shall meet at least once each calendar quarter. The task force shall meet at least once in northern California, once in central California, and once in southern California to facilitate participation by the public.

(2) A majority of the appointed task force shall constitute a quorum. Task force meetings shall be held in accordance with the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act (Article 9 (commencing with Section 11120) of Chapter 1 of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code).
(3) (A) Each member shall receive a per diem of one hundred dollars ($100) for each day actually spent in the discharge of official duties, and shall be reimbursed for traveling and other expenses necessarily incurred in the performance of official duties.

(B) Notwithstanding any other law, a public officer or employee shall not receive per diem salary compensation for serving on the task force on any day when the officer or employee also received compensation for his or her regular public employment.

(4) The task force shall solicit input from a variety of government agencies, stakeholders, and the public, including, but not limited to, the following:

(A) The Little Hoover Commission.

(B) The California Workforce Development Board.

(C) The Department of Industrial Relations.

(D) In- and out-of-state licensing entities.

(E) Professional associations.

(F) Labor and workforce organizations.
Bill Number: AB 827

Current Version: As Amended April 3, 2017
Author: Rubio
Topic: Task Force: Foreign-Trained Professionals
Staff Recommendation: None

AFFECTED SECTIONS: Add Section 110.5 to the Business and Professions Code

STATUS: Referred to Assembly Appropriations

THIS BILL WOULD:
Require DCA to establish a task force to study and issue a report regarding licensing of foreign trained professionals into the state’s workforce.

FISCAL IMPACT:
Staff is unclear if there will be a fiscal impact but staff has requested information from the Department on the board’s pro rata share.

SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:
Support:
Coalition for Humane Immigrant Rights (sponsor)

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ASSEMBLY BILL No. 835

Introduced by Assembly Member Dababneh

February 16, 2017

An act to amend Section 119 of the Business and Professions Code, relating to consumer affairs.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

Existing law establishes the Department of Consumer Affairs, which is comprised of various boards, bureaus, commissions, committees, and similarly constituted agencies that license and regulate the practice of various professions and vocations. Under existing law, it is a misdemeanor for any person to, among other things, fail or refuse to surrender to the issuing authority upon its lawful written demand any license, registration, or certificate that has been suspended, revoked, or canceled. buy or receive a fraudulent, forged, or counterfeited license knowing that it is fraudulent, forged, or counterfeited.

This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to these provisions.
also make it a misdemeanor for any person to sell a fraudulent, forged, fictitious, or counterfeited license.

The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.
The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 119 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

119. Any person who does any of the following shall be guilty of a misdemeanor:
(a) Displays or causes or permits to be displayed or has in his or her possession either of the following:
(1) A canceled, revoked, suspended, or fraudulently altered license.
(2) A fictitious license or any document simulating a license or purporting to be or have been issued as a license.
(b) Lends his or her license to any other person or knowingly permits the use thereof by another.
(c) Displays or represents any license not issued to him or her as being his or her license.
(d) Fails or refuses to surrender to the issuing authority upon its lawful written demand any license, registration, permit, or certificate that has been suspended, revoked, or canceled.
(e) Knowingly permits any unlawful use of a license issued to him or her.
(f) Photographs, photostats, duplicates, manufactures, or in any way reproduces any license or facsimile thereof in a manner that it could be mistaken for a valid license, or displays or has in his or her possession any such photograph, photostat, duplicate, reproduction, or facsimile unless authorized by this code.
(g) Buys or receives a fraudulent, forged, or counterfeited license knowing that it is fraudulent, forged, or counterfeited. For purposes of this subdivision, “fraudulent” means containing any misrepresentation of fact.
(h) Sells any fraudulent, forged, fictitious, or counterfeited license.
(i) As used in this section, “license” includes “certificate,” “permit,” “authority,” and “registration” or any other indicia giving authorization to engage in a business or profession regulated by this code or referred to in Section 1000 or 3600.
SEC. 2. No reimbursement is required by this act pursuant to Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution because the only costs that may be incurred by a local agency or school district will be incurred because this act creates a new crime or infraction, eliminates a crime or infraction, or changes the penalty for a crime or infraction, within the meaning of Section 17556 of the Government Code, or changes the definition of a crime within the meaning of Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution.
Bill Number: AB 835

Current Version: As Amended March 27, 2017

Author: Dababneh

Topic: Consumer Affairs: Licenses: Prohibited Acts

Staff Recommendation: None

AFFECTED SECTIONS: Amend BPC section 119

STATUS: Referred to Assembly Business and Professions Committee

THIS BILL WOULD:
Specify that any person selling any fraudulent, forged, fictitious or counterfeited license is guilty of a misdemeanor.

FISCAL IMPACT:
Minor and absorbable

SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

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SECTION 1. The Legislature finds and declares that both children and adults with epilepsy are in desperate need of new treatment options and that cannabidiol is showing potential as one of these treatments. If federal laws prohibiting the prescription of medications composed of cannabidiol are repealed or if an exception from the general prohibition is enacted permitting the prescription of drugs composed of cannabidiol, patients should have rapid access to this treatment option. The availability of this new prescription medication is intended to augment, not to restrict or otherwise amend, other cannabinoid treatment modalities currently available under state law.

SEC. 2. Section 11150.2 is added to the Health and Safety Code, to read:

11150.2. (a) Notwithstanding any other law, if cannabidiol is removed from Schedule I of the federal Controlled Substances Act and placed on a schedule of the act other than Schedule I, or if a product composed of cannabidiol is approved by the federal Food and Drug Administration and either placed on a schedule of the act other than Schedule I, or exempted from one or more provisions of the act, so as to permit a physician to prescribe and a pharmacist to dispense that product, a physician who prescribes, and a pharmacist who dispenses, that product in accordance with federal law shall be deemed to be in compliance with state law governing those acts.

(b) For purposes of this chapter, including, but not limited to, Sections 11153 and 11153.5, upon the effective date of one of the changes in federal law described in subdivision (a), notwithstanding any other state law, the prescription, furnishing, dispensing, transfer, possession, or use of a product composed of cannabidiol in accordance with federal law is for a legitimate medical purpose and is authorized pursuant to state law.

sec. 3. This act is an urgency statute necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety within the meaning of Article IV of the California Constitution and shall go into immediate effect. The facts constituting the necessity are:

In order to ensure that patients are able to obtain access to a new treatment modality as soon as federal law makes it available, it is necessary that this act take effect immediately.
Bill Number: AB 845

Current Version: As Amended March 28, 2017

Author: Wood

Topic: Cannabidiol: Prescriptions in Accordance with Federal Law

Staff Recommendation: Oppose Unless Amended

**AFFECTED SECTIONS:** Add HSC section 11150.2

**STATUS:** Assembly Health Committee hearing April 18, 2017

**THIS BILL WOULD:**
Specify that if the federal government removes cannabidiol from Schedule I of the federal Controlled Substances Act, or if a product composed of cannabidiol is placed on a schedule other than Schedule I, a prescriber or pharmacist that prescribes or dispenses the product shall be deemed to be in compliance with state law.

Further, the bill specifies that upon the effective date of the change in federal law, the prescribing and dispensing of a product composed of cannabidiol is automatically determined to be for a legitimate medical purpose and is authorized pursuant to state law.

The measure includes an urgency provision and as such would take effect immediately.

**STAFF COMMENT:**
According to the sponsor, the intent of the legislation to allow for the immediate prescribing and dispensing of such products upon action by the federal government; however, in its current form the drafting appears to go beyond the stated intent. In its current form it prevents a pharmacist from exercising professional judgment by stating in the statute that it shall be deemed for a legitimate medical purpose.

Staff believes that pharmacists must retain professional judgment and would suggest offering amendments to the author’s office to address this concern.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**
In its current form, the impact would be minor and absorbable.
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ASSEMBLY BILL  No. 912

Introduced by Assembly Member Obernolte
(Coauthor: Assembly Member Baker)
(Coauthor: Senator Wilk)

February 16, 2017

An act to add Chapter 3.7 (commencing with Section 11367) to Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code, relating to small business.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST


Existing law, the Administrative Procedure Act, governs the procedures for the adoption, amendment, or repeal of regulations by state agencies and requires, among other things, that a state agency make available to the public facts, evidence, documents, testimony, or other evidence on which the state agency relies to support the agency’s determination that the proposed action will not have a significant adverse impact on business. Existing law establishes the Office of Small Business Advocate, within the Governor’s Office of Business and Economic Development, and establishes the duties and functions of the Director of the Office of Small Business Advocate including, among other duties, representing the views and interests of small businesses before other state agencies whose policies and activities may affect small businesses. Existing law requires each state agency that significantly regulates small business or that significantly impacts small
business to designate at least one person who is required to serve as a small business liaison.

This bill would require a state agency to assist a small business, as defined, in complying with all statutes and regulations administered by the state agency and in any enforcement action by the state agency. The bill would require a state agency to establish a policy, by December 31, 2018, that provides for the reduction, and, under certain appropriate circumstances, the waiver, of civil penalties for a small business based upon mitigating factors including, but not limited to, that the violation by the small business did not pose an imminent health, safety, or environmental threat, violations of regulatory or statutory requirements by a small business. The bill would authorize the state agency to update the policy to reflect current issues and conditions affecting small businesses and the state agency. The bill would require the state agency to post a current copy of the policy on the state agency’s Internet Web site and, until June 30, 2022, to annually post specified information about enforcement actions and penalty reductions or waivers (annual report). The bill would require a state agency to notify the Office of Small Business Advocate of certain events relating to its policy and annual report.


The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. This act shall be known, and may be cited, as the California Small Business Regulatory Fairness Act.

SEC. 2. Chapter 3.7 (commencing with Section 11367) is added to Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code, to read:

Chapter 3.7. California Small Business Regulatory Fairness Act

11367. The following terms shall have the following meanings for purposes of this chapter:

(a) “Small business” means a business that is all of the following:

(1) Independently owned and operated.

(2) Not dominant in its field of operation.
(3) Has fewer than 100 employees.
(4) Has average annual gross receipts of ten million dollars ($10,000,000) or less over the previous three years.
(b) “State agency” means any state agency, department, board, or commission that has significant rulemaking authority over small businesses, except the Franchise Tax Board or the State Board of Equalization.

11367.1. (a) A state agency shall do all of the following:
(1) Assist a small business in achieving compliance with statutes and regulations administered by the state agency. This requirement may be met through the implementation of the requirements in Section 11148.5.
(2) Assist a small business during an enforcement action by the state agency.
(3) (A) By December 31, 2018, establish a policy to provide for the reduction, and under certain circumstances and, under appropriate circumstances, the waiver, of civil penalties for violations of regulatory or statutory requirements by a small business based upon mitigating factors including, but not limited to:

(A) The small business has not been subject to previous enforcement actions by the agency.
(B) The policy shall exclusively be applied to small businesses that meet all of the following criteria:
(i) The violation by the small business did not involve willful or criminal conduct.
(ii) The violation by the small business did not pose an imminent health, safety, or environmental threat.
(D) The small business is unable to pay the penalty or the penalty would impair the ability of the small business to conduct business or compete effectively.
(iii) The small business has a low degree of culpability when its conduct is judged in light of its size, length of operation, and the sophistication of its owners or managers.
(C) The policy shall include the factors that shall be considered when the agency determines if, and to what extent, the fine shall be reduced. The policy shall be designed to result in a range of
reductions, based upon the following factors, which include, but are not limited to:

(F) (i) The degree to which the small business cooperated during any investigation by the state agency.

(G) (ii) The degree to which the small business engaged in subsequent action to correct the violation, as appropriate.

(b) A small business shall not be required to meet all of the mitigating factors adopted by a state agency to receive relief under the policy. A state agency shall not require the mitigating factors to be weighed equally when granting relief to a small business under the policy.

(iii) The prior history of the small business in meeting regulatory requirements of the agency.

(iv) The degree to which the level of the penalty would impede the small business from continuing conducting business.

(b) The state agency may update the policy from time to time to reflect current issues and conditions affecting small businesses and the state agency.

(c) (1) The state agency shall post a current copy of the policy on the state agency’s Internet Web site within 30 days of adoption or amendment of the policy.

(2) The state agency shall annually post information on the state agency’s Internet Web site as to the aggregate number and category of enforcement actions that were reviewed pursuant to this section, the total number of small businesses and actions that qualified for civil penalty reductions in the report period, and the total dollar amount of reductions and waivers issued. The requirement for annual reporting imposed by this paragraph shall become inoperative on June 30, 2022.

(d) The notice shall include a link to where the policy and annual utilization report pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (c) is posted on the state agency’s Internet Web site. The state agency shall notify the Office of Small Business Advocate within 15 working days of the following situations occurring:

(1) The policy is adopted or amended.

(2) The annual utilization report is posted.
(3) The policy or the annual utilization report is relocated from the state agency’s Internet Web site. The notice shall include a link to the new Internet Web site location.

(4) The policy or the annual utilization report is removed from the state agency’s Internet Web site. The notice shall include an explanation as to why the information was removed.
Bill Number: AB 912

Current Version: As Amended April 5, 2017

Author: Obernolte

Topic: California Small Business Regulatory Fairness Act

Staff Recommendation: Oppose

AFFECTED SECTIONS: Add Health and Safety Code section 11150.2

STATUS: Assembly Health Committee hearing April 18, 2017

THIS BILL WOULD:
Define “small business” and require the board to assist a small business in achieving compliance with statutes and regulations administered by the state as well as assist a small business during an enforcement action by the board.

Require the board to develop a policy to provide for the reduction, and under appropriate circumstances, the waiver of penalties for violations of law if the following conditions are met:
1. The violation did not involve willful or criminal conduct.
2. The violation did not pose an imminent health, safety, or environmental threat.
3. A low degree of culpability existed when its conduct is judged in light of the size, length of operation and sophistication of its owners.

The policies must include factors that will be considered by the agency include the following:
1. Degree to which the business cooperated during the investigation.
2. Degree to which the business engaged in subsequent action to correct the violation.
3. Prior history of the business in meeting requirements.
4. Degree to which the level of the penalty would impede business.

Require the board to post the policy as well as annual post information on the website regarding aggregate numbers and categories of information as specified.

STAFF COMMENT:
Staff is concerned about the role of the regulator and how the board could fulfill its consumer protection mandate and conduct investigations while also serving as an educator. Staff is seeking clarification as the dual role called for in this measure may violate provisions of the Administrative Procedures Act. Staff is also seeking information on possible exposure to liability by providing advice about the practice of pharmacy, which by law is a profession.

FISCAL IMPACT:
The board would need to develop a tracking system to identify small businesses and revise application and renewal forms.

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ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1005

Introduced by Assembly Member Calderon

February 16, 2017

An act to add Section 139.2 to the Business and Professions Code, relating to professions and vocations.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

AB 1005, as introduced, Calderon. Department of Consumer Affairs. Under existing law, there is the Office of Professional Examination Services within the Department of Consumer Affairs. Existing law provides for the licensure and regulation of various professions and vocations by boards within the Department of Consumer Affairs.

This bill would require the office to conduct an occupational analysis of every professions and vocations license subject to examination in this state to determine the licenses with a need for the examination to be offered in languages other than English. The bill would also require the office to report this analysis with recommendations to the Legislature by January 1, 2019.


The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 139.2 is added to the Business and Professions Code, to read:
2 139.2. (a) The Office of Professional Examination Services shall conduct an occupational analysis of every license subject to
examination in this state to determine the licenses with a need for
the examination to be offered in languages other than English.
(b) (1) Pursuant to Section 9795 of the Government Code, the
office shall report this analysis with recommendations to the
Legislature by January 1, 2019.
(2) This subdivision shall become inoperative on January 1,
2022, pursuant to Section 10231.5 of the Government Code.
**BILL ANALYSIS**

**Bill Number:** AB 1005

**Current Version:** As Introduced February 16, 2017

**Author:** Calderon

**Topic:** Department of Consumer Affairs

**Staff Recommendation:** None

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**AFFECTED SECTIONS:** Add BPC section 139.2

**STATUS:** Referred to the Assembly Business and Professions Committee

**THIS BILL WOULD:**
Require the Office of Professional Examination Services to conduct an occupation analysis for every license subject to examination in this state to determine the licenses with a need for the examination to be offered in languages other than English.

**STAFF COMMENTS:**
Board staff believes that this measure may be amended to instead discuss violations and fines assessed by boards within the DCA, but no amendments are in print. Staff will continue to monitor.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**
Board staff has requested a fiscal analysis from the department on the estimated costs for these occupational analyses.

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SECTION 1. Section 4052.10 is added to the Business and Professions Code, to read:

4052.10. (a) A pharmacist may dispense a Schedule II controlled substance, as listed in Section 11055 of the Health and Safety Code, as a partial fill if requested by the patient or the prescribing physician.

(b) If a pharmacist dispenses a partial fill on a prescription pursuant to this section, the pharmacy shall retain the original prescription, with a notation of how much of the prescription has been filled, until the prescription has been fully dispensed. The total quantity dispensed shall not exceed the total quantity prescribed.

(c) Subsequent fills, until the original prescription is completely dispensed, shall occur at the pharmacy where the original prescription was partially filled. The full prescription shall be dispensed not more than 30 days after the first partial fill. Thirty-one days after the initial partial fill on a prescription, the prescription shall expire and no more of the drug shall be dispensed without a subsequent prescription.

(d) The pharmacist shall record in the state prescription drug monitoring program only the actual amounts of the drug dispensed.

(e) The pharmacist shall notify the prescriber that the prescription was partially filled and the amount of the drug that was dispensed in one of the following ways:

2. An electronic or facsimile transmission.
3. A notation in the patient’s record at the pharmacy that is available to the prescriber upon request.

(f) (1) A pharmacy shall collect the copayment, if any, for the entire prescription at the time of the first partial fill. No additional money shall be collected for later dispensing, up to the full prescription amount.

(2) A pharmacist shall not charge an additional fee, service fee, or a higher rate or copayment for prescriptions that are dispensed as partial fills.

(g) This section is not intended to conflict with or supersede any other requirement established for the prescription of a Schedule II controlled substance.

(h) For purposes of this section, the following definitions apply:

1. “Original prescription” means the prescription presented by the patient to the pharmacy or submitted electronically to the pharmacy.
2. “Partial fill” means a part of a prescription filled that is of a quantity less that the entire prescription.

SECTION 1. SEC. 2. Section 1254.7 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

1254.7. (a) It is the intent of the Legislature that pain be assessed and treated promptly, effectively, and for as long as pain persists.

(b) Every health facility licensed pursuant to this chapter shall, as a condition of licensure, include pain as an item to be assessed at the same time as vital signs are taken. The health facility shall ensure that pain assessment is performed in a consistent manner that is appropriate to the patient. The pain assessment shall be noted in the patient’s chart in a manner consistent with other vital signs.

SEC. 3. Section 1254.8 is added to the Health and Safety Code, to read:

1254.8. (a) A health facility shall not in any way condition or base executive compensation on patient satisfaction measurements for pain management.

(b) A scheme or artifice that has the purpose of avoiding the limitation established in subdivision (a) shall be a violation of this section.

(c) For purposes of this section, the following definitions shall apply:

1. (A) “Executive compensation” means compensation or any tangible employment benefit to chief executive officers, executives, managers, and administrators of hospitals, including, but not limited to, wages; salary; paid time off; bonuses; incentive payments; lump-sum cash payments; below market rate loans or loan forgiveness; payments for transportation,
travel, meals, or other expenses in excess of actual documented expenses incurred in the performance of duties; payments or reimbursement for entertainment or social club memberships; housing, automobiles, parking, or similar benefits; scholarships or fellowships; payment for dependent care or adoption assistance; payment of personal legal or financial services; stock options or awards; and deferred compensation earned or accrued, even if not yet vested or paid.

(B) "Executive compensation" does not include a benefit or remuneration to the extent that the inclusion of that benefit or remuneration is preempted by federal law or violates the state or federal constitution.

(2) "Pain management" means the prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of pain.

(3) "Patient satisfaction measurement" means a survey, questionnaire, poll, audit, or other instrument or process that collects or measures patient-reported outcomes or patient feelings about the medical care provided at the hospital, including, but not limited to, satisfaction with professional staff, service, and facilities.

Sec. 4. No reimbursement is required by this act pursuant to Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution because the only costs that may be incurred by a local agency or school district will be incurred because this act creates a new crime or infraction, eliminates a crime or infraction, or changes the penalty for a crime or infraction, within the meaning of Section 17556 of the Government Code, or changes the definition of a crime within the meaning of Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution.
Bill Number: AB 1048

Current Version: As Amended March 21, 2017

Author: Arambula

Topic: Health Care: Pain Management and Schedule II Drugs

Staff Recommendation: None

AFFECTED SECTIONS: Add BPC section 4052.10 and HSC section 1254.8

STATUS: Assembly Business and Professions Committee hearing April 18, 2017

THIS BILL WOULD:
Authorize a pharmacist to dispense a Schedule II controlled substance as a partial fill if requested by the patient or prescriber.

Specify the conditions and requirements that must be met including:
1. Pharmacy must retain the original prescription with a notation of how much of the prescription has been filled until it is fully dispensed.
2. Subsequent fills must occur at the pharmacy where the original prescription was partially filled, and fill prescription cannot be dispensed after 30 days after the first partial fill.
3. The pharmacist must record in the PDMP the actual amount dispensed and must notify the prescriber.
4. Collection of the copayment, if any, must occur at the time of the first partial fill.
5. No additional fee or service charge can be assessed

Prohibit health facilities from basing executive compensation on patient satisfaction for pain management.

STAFF COMMENTS:
Partial filling of pain medication may be one way to prevent incidental overdose of pain medication while balancing access to medication without frequent doctor visits.
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An act to amend Section 4115 of the Business and Professions Code relating to pharmacy.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

AB 1589, as introduced, Salas. Pharmacy: pharmacist supervision: technicians.

The Pharmacy Law provides for the licensure and regulation of pharmacists by the California State Board of Pharmacy, which is within the Department of Consumer Affairs. Existing law authorizes a pharmacy technician to perform certain tasks under the direct supervision and control of a pharmacist. Existing law prohibits a pharmacy with one pharmacist from having more than one pharmacy technician and prohibits the ratio of pharmacy technicians to any additional pharmacists from exceeding 2:1, except as specified.

This bill would require the board to review that ratio on a biennial basis and would require the board to provide a report to the Legislature with legislative recommendations if the board decides a change is necessary.


The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 4115 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:
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4115. (a) A pharmacy technician may perform packaging, manipulative, repetitive, or other nondiscretionary tasks only while assisting, and while under the direct supervision and control of, a pharmacist. The pharmacist shall be responsible for the duties performed under his or her supervision by a technician.

(b) This section does not authorize the performance of any tasks specified in subdivision (a) by a pharmacy technician without a pharmacist on duty.

(c) This section does not authorize a pharmacy technician to perform any act requiring the exercise of professional judgment by a pharmacist.

(d) The board shall adopt regulations to specify tasks pursuant to subdivision (a) that a pharmacy technician may perform under the supervision of a pharmacist. Any pharmacy that employs a pharmacy technician shall do so in conformity with the regulations adopted by the board.

(e) A person shall not act as a pharmacy technician without first being licensed by the board as a pharmacy technician.

(f) (1) A pharmacy with only one pharmacist shall have no more than one pharmacy technician performing the tasks specified in subdivision (a). The ratio of pharmacy technicians performing the tasks specified in subdivision (a) to any additional pharmacist shall not exceed 2:1, except that this ratio shall not apply to personnel performing clerical functions pursuant to Section 4116 or 4117. This ratio is applicable to all practice settings, except for an inpatient of a licensed health facility, a patient of a licensed home health agency, as specified in paragraph (2), an inmate of a correctional facility of the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, and for a person receiving treatment in a facility operated by the State Department of State Hospitals, the State Department of Developmental Services, or the Department of Veterans Affairs.

(2) The board may adopt regulations establishing the ratio of pharmacy technicians performing the tasks specified in subdivision (a) to pharmacists applicable to the filling of prescriptions of an inpatient of a licensed health facility and for a patient of a licensed home health agency. Any ratio established by the board pursuant to this subdivision shall allow, at a minimum, at least one pharmacy technician for a single pharmacist in a pharmacy and two pharmacy technicians for each additional pharmacist, except that this ratio
shall not apply to personnel performing clerical functions pursuant to Section 4116 or 4117.

(3) A pharmacist scheduled to supervise a second pharmacy technician may refuse to supervise a second pharmacy technician if the pharmacist determines, in the exercise of his or her professional judgment, that permitting the second pharmacy technician to be on duty would interfere with the effective performance of the pharmacist’s responsibilities under this chapter. A pharmacist assigned to supervise a second pharmacy technician shall notify the pharmacist in charge in writing of his or her determination, specifying the circumstances of concern with respect to the pharmacy or the pharmacy technician that have led to the determination, within a reasonable period, but not to exceed 24 hours, after the posting of the relevant schedule. An entity employing a pharmacist shall not discharge, discipline, or otherwise discriminate against any pharmacist in the terms and conditions of employment for exercising or attempting to exercise in good faith the right established pursuant to this paragraph.

(g) Notwithstanding subdivisions (a) and (b), the board shall by regulation establish conditions to permit the temporary absence of a pharmacist for breaks and lunch periods pursuant to Section 512 of the Labor Code and the orders of the Industrial Welfare Commission without closing the pharmacy. During these temporary absences, a pharmacy technician may, at the discretion of the pharmacist, remain in the pharmacy but may only perform nondiscretionary tasks. The pharmacist shall be responsible for a pharmacy technician and shall review any task performed by a pharmacy technician during the pharmacist’s temporary absence. This subdivision shall not be construed to authorize a pharmacist to supervise pharmacy technicians in greater ratios than those described in subdivision (f).

(h) Notwithstanding Section 10231.5 of the Government Code, the board shall review the ratio of pharmacy technicians described in subdivision (f) on a biennial basis and provide a report to the Legislature, as set forth in Section 9795 of the Government Code, with legislative recommendations if the board decides a change in the ratio is necessary.

(i) The pharmacist on duty shall be directly responsible for the conduct of a pharmacy technician supervised by that pharmacist.
(j) In a health care facility licensed under subdivision (a) of Section 1250 of the Health and Safety Code, a pharmacy technician’s duties may include any of the following:

(1) Packaging emergency supplies for use in the health care facility and the hospital’s emergency medical system or as authorized under Section 4119.

(2) Sealing emergency containers for use in the health care facility.

(3) Performing monthly checks of the drug supplies stored throughout the health care facility. Irregularities shall be reported within 24 hours to the pharmacist in charge and the director or chief executive officer of the health care facility in accordance with the health care facility’s policies and procedures.
BILL ANALYSIS

Bill Number: AB 1589

Current Version: As Introduced February 17, 2017

Author: Salas

Topic: Pharmacist Supervision: Technicians

Staff Recommendation: None

AFFECTED SECTIONS: Amend BPC section 4115

STATUS: Assembly Business and Professions Committee hearing April 18, 2017

THIS BILL WOULD:
Require the board to review the pharmacist-to-pharmacy technician ratio on a biennial basis and would require the board to provide a report to the Legislature with recommendations if the board decides a change is necessary.

SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support: California Retailers Association

FISCAL IMPACT:
Board staff have identified a 1/2 analyst will be required to complete the research, convene meetings and prepare the reports.

BILL HISTORY:

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SECTION 1. Section 1367.245 is added to the Health and Safety Code, to read:

1367.245. (a) (1) A health care service plan that reports rate information pursuant to Section 1385.03 or 1385.045 shall report the information described in paragraph (2) to the department no later than October 1 of each year, beginning October 1, 2018.

(2) For all covered prescription drugs, including generic drugs, brand name drugs, and specialty drugs dispensed at a plan pharmacy, network pharmacy, or mail order pharmacy for outpatient use, all of the following shall be reported:

(A) The 25 most frequently prescribed drugs.

(B) The 25 most costly drugs by total annual plan spending.

(C) The 25 drugs with the highest year-over-year increase in total annual plan spending.

(b) The department shall compile the information reported pursuant to subdivision (a) into a report for the public and legislators that demonstrates the overall impact of drug costs on health care premiums. The data in the report shall be aggregated and shall not reveal information specific to individual health care service plans.

(c) For the purposes of this section, a “specialty drug” is one that exceeds the threshold for a specialty drug under the Medicare Part D program (Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act of 2003 (Public Law 108-173)).

(d) By January 1 of each year, beginning January 1, 2019, the department shall publish on its Internet Web site the report required pursuant to subdivision (b).

(e) After the report required in subdivision (b) is released, the department shall include the report as part of the public meeting required pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 1385.045.

(f) Except for the report required pursuant to subdivision (b), the department shall keep confidential all of the information provided to the department pursuant to this section, and that information shall be exempt from disclosure under the California Public Records Act (Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 6250) of Division 7 of Title 1 of the Government Code).

SEC. 2. Section 1385.045 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

1385.045. (a) For large group health care service plan contracts, each health plan shall file with the department the weighted average rate increase for all large group benefit designs during the 12-month period ending January 1 of the following calendar year. The average shall be weighted by the number of enrollees in each large group benefit design in the plan’s large group market and adjusted to the most commonly sold large group benefit design by enrollment during the 12-month period. For the purposes of this section, the large group benefit design includes, but is not limited to, benefits such as basic health care services and prescription drugs. The large group benefit design shall not include cost sharing, including, but not limited to, deductibles, copays, and coinsurance.

(b) (1) A plan shall also submit any other information required pursuant to any regulation adopted by the department to comply with this article.

(2) The department shall conduct an annual public meeting regarding large group rates within three months of posting the aggregate information described in this section in order to permit a public discussion of the reasons for the changes in the rates, benefits, and cost sharing in the large group market. The meeting shall be held in either the Los Angeles area or the San Francisco Bay area.

(c) A health care service plan subject to subdivision (a) shall also disclose the following for the aggregate rate information for the large group market submitted under this section:

(1) For rates effective during the 12-month period ending January 1 of the following year, number and percentage of rate changes reviewed by the following:

(A) Plan year.

(B) Segment type, including whether the rate is community rated, in whole or in part.

(C) Product type.

(D) Number of enrollees.

(E) The number of products sold that have materially different benefits, cost sharing, or other elements of benefit design.
(2) For rates effective during the 12-month period ending January 1 of the following year, any factors affecting the base rate, and the actuarial basis for those factors, including all of the following:

(A) Geographic region.

(B) Age, including age rating factors.

(C) Occupation.

(D) Industry.

(E) Health status factors, including, but not limited to, experience and utilization.

(F) Employee, and employee and dependents, including a description of the family composition used.

(G) Enrollees’ share of premiums.

(H) Enrollees’ cost sharing, including cost sharing for prescription drugs.

(I) Covered benefits in addition to basic health care services, as defined in Section 1345, and other benefits mandated under this article.

(J) Which market segment, if any, is fully experience rated and which market segment, if any, is in part experience rated and in part community rated.

(K) Any other factor that affects the rate that is not otherwise specified.

(3) (A) The plan’s overall annual medical trend factor assumptions for all benefits and by aggregate benefit category, including hospital inpatient, hospital outpatient, physician services, prescription drugs and other ancillary services, laboratory, and radiology for the applicable 12-month period ending January 1 of the following year. A health plan that exclusively contracts with no more than two medical groups in the state to provide or arrange for professional medical services for the enrollees of the plan shall instead disclose the amount of its actual trend experience for the prior contract year by aggregate benefit category, using benefit categories, to the maximum extent possible, that are the same as, or similar to, those used by other plans.

(B) The amount of the projected trend separately attributable to the use of services, price inflation, and fees and risk for annual plan contract trends by aggregate benefit category, including hospital inpatient, hospital outpatient, physician services, prescription drugs and other ancillary services, laboratory, and radiology. A health plan that exclusively contracts with no more than two medical groups in the state to provide or arrange for professional medical services for the enrollees of the plan shall instead disclose the amount of its actual trend experience for the prior contract year by aggregate benefit category, using benefit categories that are, to the maximum extent possible, the same or similar to those used by other plans.

(C) A comparison of the aggregate per enrollee per month costs and rate of changes over the last five years for each of the following:

(i) Premiums.

(ii) Claims costs, if any.

(iii) Administrative expenses.

(iv) Taxes and fees.

(D) Any changes in enrollee cost sharing over the prior year associated with the submitted rate information, including both of the following:

(i) Actual copays, coinsurance, deductibles, annual out of pocket maximums, and any other cost sharing by the benefit categories determined by the department.

(ii) Any aggregate changes in enrollee cost sharing over the prior years as measured by the weighted average actuarial value, weighted by the number of enrollees.

(E) Any changes in enrollee benefits over the prior year, including a description of benefits added or eliminated, as well as any aggregate changes, as measured as a percentage of the aggregate claims costs, listed by the categories determined by the department.
(F) Any cost containment and quality improvement efforts since the plan’s prior year’s information pursuant to this section for the same category of health benefit plan. To the extent possible, the plan shall describe any significant new health care cost containment and quality improvement efforts and provide an estimate of potential savings together with an estimated cost or savings for the projection period.

(G) The number of products covered by the information that incurred the excise tax paid by the health plan.

(4) (A) For covered prescription generic drugs excluding specialty generic drugs, prescription brand name drugs excluding specialty drugs, and prescription brand name and generic specialty drugs dispensed at a plan pharmacy, network pharmacy, or mail order pharmacy for outpatient use, all of the following shall be disclosed:

(i) The percentage of the premium attributable to prescription drug costs for the prior year for each category of prescription drugs as defined in this subparagraph.

(ii) The year-over-year increase, as a percentage, in total spending for each category of prescription drugs as defined in this subparagraph.

(iii) The year-over-year increase in per-member, per-month costs for drug prices compared to other components of the health care premium.

(iv) The specialty tier formulary list.

(B) The plan shall include the percentage of the premium attributable to prescription drugs administered in a doctor’s office that are covered under the medical benefit as separate from the pharmacy benefit, if available.

(C) (i) The plan shall include information on its use of a pharmacy benefit manager, if any, including which components of the prescription drug coverage described in subparagraphs (A) and (B) are managed by the pharmacy benefit manager.

(ii) The plan shall also include the name or names of the pharmacy benefit manager, or managers if the plan uses more than one.

(d) The information required pursuant to this section shall be submitted to the department on or before October 1, 2016, 2018, and on or before October 1 annually thereafter. Information submitted pursuant to this section is subject to Section 1385.07.

(e) For the purposes of this section, a “specialty drug” is one that exceeds the threshold for a specialty drug under the Medicare Part D program (Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act of 2003 (Public Law 108-173)).

SEC. 3. Chapter 9 (commencing with Section 127675) is added to Part 2 of Division 107 of the Health and Safety Code, to read:

CHAPTER 9. Prescription Drug Pricing for Purchasers

127675. (a) This chapter shall apply to a manufacturer of a prescription drug that is purchased or reimbursed by any of the following:

(1) A state purchaser in California, including, but not limited to, the Public Employees’ Retirement System, the State Department of Health Care Services, the Department of General Services, and the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, or an entity acting on behalf of a state purchaser.

(2) A licensed health care service plan.

(3) A health insurer holding a valid outstanding certificate of authority from the Insurance Commissioner.

(4) A pharmacy benefit manager as defined in subdivision (j) of Section 4430 of the Business and Professions Code.

(b) For the purposes of this chapter, the term “office” shall mean the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development.

127677. (a) A manufacturer of a prescription drug shall notify each purchaser described in Section 127675 that it is increasing the wholesale acquisition cost of a prescription drug if any of the following circumstances apply:

(1) The wholesale acquisition cost for the prescription drug is under the threshold set for a specialty drug under the Medicare Part D program (Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act of 2003 (Public Law 108-173)) and if the cumulative increase is more than 25 percent over the three calendar years prior to the current year.
(2) The wholesale acquisition cost for the prescription drug is over the threshold set for a specialty drug under the Medicare Part D program (Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act of 2003 (Public Law 108-173)), and if the cumulative increase is more than 10 percent over the three calendar years prior to the current year.

(b) The notice required by subdivision (a) shall be provided in writing at least 90 days prior to the planned effective date of the increase.

(c) The notice required by subdivision (a) shall include a statement of any changes or improvements to the clinical efficacy of the drug that explain the increase in wholesale acquisition cost. The manufacturer shall state if there are no changes or improvements made to the clinical efficacy of the drug subject to the notice.

(d) The notice required by subdivision (a) shall not be required for a prescription drug that is not already purchased or reimbursed by a purchaser described in subdivision (a), except for prescription drugs described in Section 127681.

(e) If a pharmacy benefit manager receives a notice of an increase in wholesale acquisition cost consistent with subdivision (a), it shall notify its large contracting public and private purchasers of the increase. For the purposes of this section, a "large purchaser" means a purchaser that provides coverage to more than 500 covered lives.

127679. (a) At the time that the increase in wholesale acquisition cost described in subdivision (a) of Section 127677 takes effect, a manufacturer shall report all of the following information to the office:

(1) A description of the specific financial and nonfinancial factors used to make the decision to increase the wholesale acquisition cost of the drug and the amount of the increase, including, but not limited to, an explanation of how these factors justify the increase in the wholesale acquisition cost of the drug.

(2) The previous year’s marketing budget for the drug, including the budget for patient assistance programs specific to the drug.

(3) A schedule of wholesale acquisition cost increases for the drug for the previous five years if the drug was manufactured by the company.

(4) If the drug was acquired by the manufacturer within the previous five years, all of the following information:

(A) The wholesale acquisition cost of the drug at the time of acquisition and in the calendar year prior to acquisition.

(B) The name of the company from which the drug was acquired, the date acquired, and the purchase price.

(C) The year the drug was introduced to market and the wholesale acquisition cost of the drug at the time of introduction.

(5) The patent expiration date of the drug if it is under patent.

(6) If the drug is a multiple source drug, an innovator multiple source drug, a noninnovator multiple source drug, or a single source drug, as defined in subparagraph (A) of paragraph (7) of subdivision (k) of Section 1396r–8 of Title 42 of the United States Code.

(7) Documentation of increased clinical efficacy of the drug, if any. The manufacturer shall state if the drug subject to the notice does not exceed the clinical efficacy of existing treatments.

(8) Volume of sales of the drug in the United States for the previous year.

(b) The office shall publish the information provided to it pursuant to this section on its Internet Web site on no less than a quarterly basis. The information shall be published in a manner that identifies the information that is disclosed on a per-drug basis and shall not be aggregated in a manner that would not allow identification of the drug.

127681. (a) A manufacturer of a prescription drug shall notify the office in writing if it is introducing a new prescription drug to market at a wholesale acquisition cost that exceeds the threshold set for a specialty drug under the Medicare Part D program (Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act of 2003 (Public Law 108-173)). The notice shall be provided in writing within three days of commercial availability. A manufacturer may make this notification pending approval by the federal Food and Drug Administration, if commercial availability is expected within three days of approval.

(b) Within 30 days of notification pursuant to this section, a manufacturer shall report all of the following information to the office:

(1) A description of the marketing and pricing plans used in the launch of the new drug in the United States and internationally.

(2) The estimated volume of patients that may be prescribed the drug.
(3) Any documentation showing increased efficacy of the drug compared to existing treatments. The manufacturer shall state if there are no changes or improvements made to the clinical efficacy of the drug subject to the notice.

(4) If the drug was granted breakthrough therapy designation or priority review by the federal Food and Drug Administration prior to final approval.

(5) The expected marketing budget for the drug, including the budget for patient assistance programs.

(6) The date and price of acquisition if the drug was not developed by the manufacturer.

(c) The office shall publish the information provided to it pursuant to this section on its Internet Web site on no less than a monthly basis. The information shall be published in a manner that identifies the information that is disclosed on a per-drug basis and shall not be aggregated in a manner that would not allow identification of the drug.

127683. (a) A manufacturer of a prescription drug subject to the requirements of this chapter shall comply with this chapter. The office shall be responsible for the enforcement of these provisions.

(b) (1) A manufacturer of a prescription drug subject to this chapter that does not report the information required pursuant to this chapter to state purchasers, health care service plans, health insurers, or pharmacy benefit managers is liable for a civil penalty of one thousand dollars ($1,000) per day for every day after the applicable notification period that the required information is not reported.

(2) A civil penalty shall be assessed and recovered in a civil action brought by the office in the name of the people of the State of California. Assessment of a civil penalty may, at the request of any manufacturer of a prescription drug subject to this chapter, be reviewed on appeal, and the penalty may be reduced or waived for good cause.

(c) Any money that is received by the office pursuant to this section shall be paid into the General Fund.

127685. (a) The office may adopt regulations or issue guidance for the implementation of this chapter.

(b) The office may consult with the Department of Managed Health Care, the Department of Insurance, the California State Board of Pharmacy, and any state purchaser of prescription drugs, or an entity acting on behalf of a state purchaser, in issuing guidance or adopting necessary regulations pursuant to subdivision (a), in posting information on its Internet Web site pursuant to this chapter, and in taking any other action for the purpose of implementing this chapter.

SEC. 4. Section 10123.204 is added to the Insurance Code, to read:

10123.204. (a) (1) A health insurer that reports rate information pursuant to Section 10181.3 or 10181.45 shall report the information described in paragraph (2) to the department no later than October 1 of each year, beginning October 1, 2018.

(2) For all covered prescription drugs, including generic drugs, brand name drugs, and specialty drugs dispensed at a plan pharmacy, network pharmacy, or mail order pharmacy for outpatient use, all of the following shall be reported:

(A) The 25 most frequently prescribed drugs.

(B) The 25 most costly drugs by total annual plan spending.

(C) The 25 drugs with the highest year-over-year increase in total annual plan spending.

(b) The department shall compile the information reported pursuant to subdivision (a) into a report for the public and legislators that demonstrates the overall impact of drug costs on health care premiums. The data in the report shall be aggregated and shall not reveal information specific to individual health care service plans.

(c) For the purposes of this section, a “specialty drug” is one that exceeds the threshold for a specialty drug under the Medicare Part D program (Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act of 2003 (Public Law 108-173)).

(d) By January 1 of each year, beginning January 1, 2018, the department shall publish on its Internet Web site the report required pursuant to subdivision (b).

(e) After the report required in subdivision (b) is released, the department shall include the report as part of the public meeting required pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 10181.45.

(f) Except for the report required pursuant to subdivision (b), the department shall keep confidential all of the information provided to the department pursuant to this section, and that information shall be exempt from disclosure under the California Public Records Act (Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 6250) of Division 7 of Title 1 of the Government Code).

SEC. 5. Section 10181.45 of the Insurance Code is amended to read:

10181.45. (a) For large group health insurance policies, each health insurer shall file with the department the weighted average rate increase for all large group benefit designs during the 12-month period ending January 1 of the following calendar year. The average shall be weighted by the number of insureds in each large group benefit design in the insurer’s large group market and adjusted to the most commonly sold large group benefit design by enrollment during the 12-month period. For the purposes of this section, the large group benefit design includes, but is not limited to, benefits such as basic health care services and prescription drugs. The large group benefit design shall not include cost sharing, including, but not limited to, deductibles, copays, and coinsurance.

(b) (1) A health insurer shall also submit any other information required pursuant to any regulation adopted by the department to comply with this article.

(2) The department shall conduct an annual public meeting regarding large group rates within three months of posting the aggregate information described in this section in order to permit a public discussion of the reasons for the changes in the rates, benefits, and cost sharing in the large group market. The meeting shall be held in either the Los Angeles area or the San Francisco Bay area.

(c) A health insurer subject to subdivision (a) shall also disclose the following for the aggregate rate information for the large group market submitted under this section:

(1) For rates effective during the 12-month period ending January 1 of the following year, number and percentage of rate changes reviewed by the following:

(A) Plan year.

(B) Segment type, including whether the rate is community rated, in whole or in part.

(C) Product type.

(D) Number of insureds.

(E) The number of products sold that have materially different benefits, cost sharing, or other elements of benefit design.

(2) For rates effective during the 12-month period ending January 1 of the following year, any factors affecting the base rate, and the actuarial basis for those factors, including all of the following:

(A) Geographic region.

(B) Age, including age rating factors.

(C) Occupation.

(D) Industry.

(E) Health status factors, including, but not limited to, experience and utilization.

(F) Employee, and employee and dependents, including a description of the family composition used.

(G) Insureds’ share of premiums.

(H) Insureds’ cost sharing, including cost sharing for prescription drugs.

(I) Covered benefits in addition to basic health care services, as defined in Section 1345 of the Health and Safety Code, and other benefits mandated under this article.

(J) Which market segment, if any, is fully experience rated and which market segment, if any, is in part experience rated and in part community rated.

(K) Any other factor that affects the rate that is not otherwise specified.

(3) (A) The insurer’s overall annual medical trend factor assumptions for all benefits and by aggregate benefit category, including hospital inpatient, hospital outpatient, physician services, prescription drugs and other ancillary services, laboratory, and radiology for the applicable 12-month period ending January 1 of the following year. A health insurer that exclusively contracts with no more than two medical groups in the state to provide or arrange for professional medical services for the health insurer’s insureds shall instead disclose the amount of its actual trend experience for the prior contract year by aggregate benefit category, using benefit categories, to the maximum extent possible, that are the same or similar to those used by other insurers.
(B) The amount of the projected trend separately attributable to the use of services, price inflation, and fees and risk for annual policy trends by aggregate benefit category, including hospital inpatient, hospital outpatient, physician services, prescription drugs and other ancillary services, laboratory, and radiology. A health insurer that exclusively contracts with no more than two medical groups in the state to provide or arrange for professional medical services for the insureds shall instead disclose the amount of its actual trend experience for the prior contract year by aggregate benefit category, using benefit categories that are, to the maximum extent possible, the same or similar to those used by other insurers.

(C) A comparison of the aggregate per insured per month costs and rate of changes over the last five years for each of the following:

(i) Premiums.

(ii) Claims costs, if any.

(iii) Administrative expenses.

(iv) Taxes and fees.

(D) Any changes in insured cost sharing over the prior year associated with the submitted rate information, including both of the following:

(i) Actual copays, coinsurance, deductibles, annual out of pocket maximums, and any other cost sharing by the benefit categories determined by the department.

(ii) Any aggregate changes in insured cost sharing over the prior years as measured by the weighted average actuarial value, weighted by the number of insureds.

(E) Any changes in insured benefits over the prior year, including a description of benefits added or eliminated as well as any aggregate changes as measured as a percentage of the aggregate claims costs, listed by the categories determined by the department.

(F) Any cost containment and quality improvement efforts made since the insurer's prior year's information pursuant to this section for the same category of health insurer. To the extent possible, the insurer shall describe any significant new health care cost containment and quality improvement efforts and provide an estimate of potential savings together with an estimated cost or savings for the projection period.

(G) The number of products covered by the information that incurred the excise tax paid by the health insurer.

(4) (A) For covered prescription generic drugs excluding specialty generic drugs, prescription brand name drugs excluding specialty drugs, and prescription brand name and generic specialty drugs dispensed at a pharmacy, network pharmacy, or mail order pharmacy for outpatient use, all of the following shall be disclosed:

(i) The percentage of the premium attributable to prescription drug costs for the prior year for each category of prescription drugs as defined in this subparagraph.

(ii) The year-over-year increase, as a percentage, in total spending for each category of prescription drugs as defined in this subparagraph.

(iii) The year-over-year increase in per-member, per-month costs for drug prices compared to other components of the health care premium.

(iv) The specialty tier formulary list.

(B) The insurer shall include the percentage of the premium attributable to prescription drugs administered in a doctor's office that are covered under the medical benefit as separate from the pharmacy benefit, if available.

(C) (i) The insurer shall include information on its use of a pharmacy benefit manager, if any, including which components of the prescription drug coverage described in subparagraphs (A) and (B) are managed by the pharmacy benefit manager.

(ii) The insurer shall also include the name or names of the pharmacy benefit manager, or managers if the insurer uses more than one.

(d) The information required pursuant to this section shall be submitted to the department on or before October 1, 2016, and on or before October 1 annually thereafter. Information submitted pursuant to this section is subject to Section 10181.7.

(e) For the purposes of this section, a “specialty drug” is one that exceeds the threshold for a specialty drug under the Medicare Part D program (Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act of 2003 (Public Law 108-173)).
sec. 6. The Legislature finds and declares that Sections 1 and 4 of this act, which add Section 1367.245 to the Health and Safety Code and Section 10123.204 to the Insurance Code, respectively, impose a limitation on the public’s right of access to the meetings of public bodies or the writings of public officials and agencies within the meaning of Section 3 of Article I of the California Constitution. Pursuant to that constitutional provision, the Legislature makes the following findings to demonstrate the interest protected by this limitation and the need for protecting that interest:

In order to protect proprietary, confidential information regarding health care service plan and health insurer prescription drug utilization and spending information that is specific to the plan or insurer and to protect the integrity of the competitive market, it is necessary that this act limit the public’s right of access to that information.

sec. 7. No reimbursement is required by this act pursuant to Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution because the only costs that may be incurred by a local agency or school district will be incurred because this act creates a new crime or infraction, eliminates a crime or infraction, or changes the penalty for a crime or infraction, within the meaning of Section 17556 of the Government Code, or changes the definition of a crime within the meaning of Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution.
BILL ANALYSIS

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AFFECTED SECTIONS: Amend HSC section 1385.045 and add HSC section 1367.245, amend Insurance Code section 10181.45 and add section 10123.04 to the Insurance Code

STATUS: Senate Health Committee hearing April 19, 2017

THIS BILL WOULD:
Establish a reporting requirement of health care services plans relating to prescription drug coverage a specified in the measure.

Require notification to state purchasers (e.g., CalPERS, Department of Health Care Services, etc.) of increases in drug prices as specified at least 90 days prior to the effective date of the increase as well as a basis for the increase.

Require drug manufacturers to include specific financial and nonfinancial factors used to make a decision to increase the cost of the drug, including justification for the increase as well as historical cost information, patent information and sales volume.

Require drug manufacturers to provide in writing notification of a new prescription drug to market and cost information as specified. As part of the notification the manufacturer must describe marketing and pricing plans, estimated volume of patients that may be prescribed the drug, documentation of efficacy when compared to existing treatments, and specified financial information.

STAFF COMMENTS:
This measure is intended to improve understanding and transparency in the cost determinations of prescription drugs. Although the board does not have a role in this measure, the board’s vision reflects the need for quality pharmaceutical care. A patient cannot receive the benefits of a prescription if he or she cannot afford it.
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An act to add Section 114.6 to the Business and Professions Code, relating to professions and vocations.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

SB 27, as introduced, Morrell. Professions and vocations: licenses: military service.

Existing law provides for the licensure and regulation of various professions and vocations by boards within the Department of Consumer Affairs. Existing law authorizes any licensee or registrant whose license expired while he or she was on active duty as a member of the California National Guard or the United States Armed Forces to reinstate his or her license or registration without examination or penalty if certain requirements are met. Existing law also requires the boards to waive the renewal fees, continuing education requirements, and other renewal requirements, if applicable, of any licensee or registrant called to active duty as a member of the United States Armed Forces or the California National Guard, if certain requirements are met. Existing law requires each board to inquire in every application if the individual applying for licensure is serving in, or has previously served in, the military. Existing law requires a board within the Department of Consumer Affairs to expedite, and authorizes a board to assist with, the initial licensure process for an applicant who has served as an active duty member of the United States Armed Forces and was honorably discharged.

This bill would require every board within the Department of Consumer Affairs to grant a fee waiver for the application for and the issuance of an initial license to an applicant who supplies satisfactory evidence, as defined, to the board that the applicant has served as an
active duty member of the California National Guard or the United States Armed Forces and was honorably discharged. The bill would require that a veteran be granted only one fee waiver, except as specified.


The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 114.6 is added to the Business and Professions Code, to read:

114.6. (a) (1) Notwithstanding any other law, every board within the department shall grant a fee waiver for the application for and issuance of an initial license to an applicant who supplies satisfactory evidence to the board that the applicant has served as an active duty member of the California National Guard or the United States Armed Forces and was honorably discharged.

(2) For purposes of this section, “satisfactory evidence” means a completed “Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty” (DD Form 214).

(b) (1) A veteran shall be granted only one fee waiver, except as specified in paragraph (2). After a fee waiver has been issued by any board within the department, the veteran is no longer eligible for a waiver.

(2) If a board charges a fee for the application for a license and another fee for the issuance of a license, the veteran shall be granted fee waivers for both the application for and issuance of a license.

(3) The fee waiver shall apply only to an application of and a license issued to an individual veteran and not to an application of or a license issued to an individual veteran on behalf of a business or other entity.

(4) A fee waiver shall not be issued for any of the following:

(A) Renewal of a license.

(B) The application for and issuance of an additional license, a certificate, a registration, or a permit associated with the initial license.

(C) The application for an examination.
Bill Number: SB 27
Current Version: As Introduced December 5, 2016
Author: Morrell
Topic: Professions and Vocations: Licenses: Military Service
Staff Recommendation: Support

AFFECTED SECTIONS: Add BPC section 114.6

STATUS: Senate Veteran Affairs Committee hearing April 25, 2017

THIS BILL WOULD:
Allow a veteran who is honorably discharged who served as an active duty member of the California National Guard or the United States Armed Forces to have one fee waiver for the application for one license issued by one of the boards within the Department of Consumer Affairs.

STAFF COMMENTS:
Because the waiver provisions apply to one application across all DCA boards, the board would need to determine if an applicant has already taken advantage of the one waiver allowance.

The board had a support position on a similar measure last year. That measure was held in the Assembly Appropriations Committee.

Fiscal Impact:
It is anticipated that this measure could result in a loss of revenue; however, staff believes it would be minimal and absorbable.

SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:
SUPPORT:
American Council of Engineering Companies, California
American G.I. Forum of California
American Legion-Department of California
AMVETS-Department of California
California Association of County Veterans Service Officers
California Association of Licensed Investigators, Inc.
California Optometric Association
California State Commanders Veterans Council
Military Officers Association of American, California Council of Chapters
Vietnam Veterans of America-California State Council
Veterans of Foreign Wars, California Department

OPPOSITION:
None on file

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SENATE BILL  
No. 212

Introduced by Senator Jackson

February 1, 2017

An act to add Section 117670.1 to the Health and Safety Code, relating to medical waste.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

SB 212, as introduced, Jackson. Medical waste.

Existing law, the Medical Waste Management Act, administered by the State Department of Public Health, regulates the management and handling of medical waste, as defined.

This bill adds to the act a definition of “home-generated pharmaceutical waste” as a prescription or over-the-counter human or veterinary home-generated pharmaceutical that is waste and is derived from a household, including, but not limited to, a multifamily residence or household.


The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 117670.1 is added to the Health and Safety Code, to read:
2 117670.1. “Home-generated pharmaceutical waste” means a prescription or over-the-counter human or veterinary home-generated pharmaceutical, as defined in Section 109925 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, as amended (21 U.S.C.A. Sec. 321(g)(1)), that is a waste, as defined in Section
25124, derived from a household, including, but not limited to, a multifamily residence or household.
Bill Number: SB 212

Current Version: As Introduced February 1, 2017

Author: Jackson

Topic: Medical Waste

Staff Recommendation:

**AFFECTED SECTIONS:** Add HSC section 117670.13

**STATUS:** Senate Third Reading

**THIS BILL WOULD:**
Define “home-generated pharmaceutical waste” as prescription or over-the-counter human or veterinary home-generate pharmaceutical that is waste derived from a household, including a multifamily residence.

**Staff Comments:**
The board regulations are still undergoing review by the DCA/Agency. Consideration should be given to how or if this bill would impact hazardous pharmaceutical waste, e.g. oncology medications. Staff will be seeking input from the California Department of Public Health.

**SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:**

Support:
California Product Stewardship Council (sponsor)
California State Association of Counties

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SENATE BILL No. 419

Introduced by Senator Portantino

February 15, 2017

An act to add Section 11176 to the Health and Safety Code, and Section 2242.3 to the Business and Professions Code, relating to controlled substances.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

SB 419, as amended, Portantino. Oxycodone: prescriptions.

Existing law, the California Uniform Controlled Substances Act, classifies controlled substances into 5 designated schedules, with the most restrictive limitations generally placed on controlled substances classified in Schedule I, and the least restrictive limitations generally placed on controlled substances classified in Schedule V. Existing law places oxycodone within Schedule II. Existing law requires a prescription for a controlled substance to only be issued for a legitimate medical purpose by an individual practitioner acting in the usual course of his or her professional practice. A violation of this provision is a crime.

Existing law, the Medical Practice Act, provides for the licensing and regulation of physicians and surgeons by the Medical Board of California. Among other things, the act regulates the prescribing, dispensing, or furnishing of dangerous drugs, including oxycodone, by a licensee, and provides, under certain circumstances, for the imposition of an administrative fine pursuant to a citation by the board, or the imposition of a civil penalty for a violation of these provisions. A violation of designated provisions of the act is a crime.

This bill would prohibit a person from prescribing oxycodone, by whatever official, common, usual, chemical, or trade name designated,
to a patient under 21 years of age, except as specified. The bill would make a violation of this prohibition subject to a civil penalty, as specified. The bill would also authorize a patient who was prescribed oxycodone in violation of the prohibition, and who sustained economic loss or personal injury as a result of that violation, to bring a civil action to recover compensatory damages, reasonable attorney’s fees, and litigation costs.

By creating a new crime, this bill would impose a state mandated local program.

The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement. This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.

State-mandated local program: yes

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 2242.3 is added to the Business and Professions Code, to read:

2242.3. (a) (1) Notwithstanding any other law, a person shall not prescribe oxycodone, by whatever official, common, usual, chemical, or trade name designated, to a patient under 21 years of age.

(2) Paragraph (1) does not apply with respect to a patient of any age who is any of the following:

(A) A cancer patient.

(B) A patient in hospice or palliative care.

(C) A patient who has been diagnosed with a terminal illness.

(b) (1) Notwithstanding Section 2314 or any other law, a violation of this section may subject the person who has committed the violation to either a fine of up to five thousand dollars ($5,000) per violation pursuant to a citation issued by the board or a civil penalty of up to five thousand dollars ($5,000) per violation.

(2) The Attorney General may bring an action to enforce this section and to collect the fines or civil penalties authorized by paragraph (1).

(c) In addition to the penalties described in paragraph (1) of subdivision (b), a patient who was prescribed oxycodone in

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violation of subdivision (a), and who sustained economic loss or personal injury as a result of that violation, may bring an action to recover compensatory damages, as well as reasonable attorney's fees and costs.

SECTION 1.—Section 11176 is added to the Health and Safety Code, to read:

11176. Notwithstanding any other law, a person shall not prescribe oxycodone, by whatever official, common, usual, chemical, or trade name designated, to a patient under 21 years of age.

SEC. 2.—No reimbursement is required by this act pursuant to Section 6 of Article XIIIB of the California Constitution because the only costs that may be incurred by a local agency or school district will be incurred because this act creates a new crime or infraction, eliminates a crime or infraction, or changes the penalty for a crime or infraction, within the meaning of Section 17556 of the Government Code, or changes the definition of a crime within the meaning of Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution.
Bill Analysis

Bill Number: SB 419
Current Version: As Amended March 20, 2017
Author: Portantino
Topic: Oxycodone: Prescription
Staff Recommendation: None

Affected Sections: Add BPC section 2242.3

Status: Senate Business, Professions and Economic Development Committee hearing April 17, 2017

This Bill Would:
Prohibit the prescribing of oxycodone to a patient under 21 years of age except to any of the following:

1. A cancer patient.
2. A patient in hospice or palliative care.
3. A patient diagnosed with a terminal illness.

Establishes fine amounts for violations of the provision.

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SENATE BILL No. 528

Introduced by Senator Stone

February 16, 2017

An act to amend Section 4119.7 of, and add Section 4119.11 to, the Business and Professions Code, relating to healing arts.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

SB 528, as amended, Stone. Pharmacy. Pharmacy: automated drug dispensing systems.

Existing law, the Pharmacy Law, the violation of which is a crime, provides for the licensing and regulation of pharmacies, pharmacists, intern pharmacists, and pharmacy technicians by the California State Board of Pharmacy. Existing law authorizes a pharmacy to furnish a dangerous drug or dangerous device to a licensed health care facility for storage in a secured emergency pharmaceutical supplies container maintained within the facility in accordance with facility regulations of the State Department of Public Health and other existing law requirements, as specified. The Pharmacy Law authorizes a pharmacy to provide pharmacy services to specified licensed health facilities through the use of an automated drug delivery system. Existing law authorizes a licensed clinic to make use of an automated drug delivery system, operated under the supervision of a pharmacist, but under the clinic’s license and under which the clinic is responsible for the safety and security of the drugs in the system.

This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to the provisions authorizing a pharmacy to furnish a dangerous drug or dangerous device to a licensed health care facility for storage in that facility, as specified.
provide an alternative program to authorize a pharmacy to provide pharmacy services to covered entities that are eligible for discount drug programs under federal law, as specified, through the use of an automated drug delivery system, as defined.

This bill would provide that, under the alternative program, the responsibility for the safety and security of the drugs in the automated drug delivering system would be the responsibility of the pharmacy, and would increase the level of the pharmacist’s involvement in the dispensing of drugs from the system.

(2) Because this bill would expand the law regarding the use of automated drug delivery systems, the violation of which is a crime, it would impose a state-mandated local program.

The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.


The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 4119.11 is added to the Business and Professions Code, immediately following Section 4119.1, to read:

4119.11. (a) A pharmacy may provide pharmacy services to an entity that qualifies as a “covered entity” under Section 340B of the federal Public Health Service Act to purchase and dispense or arrange for the dispensing of drugs purchased at reduced costs under the 340B Drug Pricing Program to its outpatients, through the use of an automated drug dispensing system, located on the premises of the entity, which need not be the same location as the pharmacy, if all of the following conditions are met:

(1) The automated drug dispensing system shall be stocked with drugs purchased under the federal 340B Drug Pricing Program, and the pharmacy providing the pharmacy services to the entity shall be under contract with that entity to facilitate its 340B drug program through the use of the automated drug dispensing system to dispense 340B drugs to its eligible outpatients.
(2) Drugs shall be released to the patient from the automated
drug dispensing system only upon authorization by a pharmacist
after the pharmacist has reviewed the prescription and the patient’s
profile for potential contraindications and adverse drug reactions.

(3) Drugs stored in an automated drug dispensing system shall
be part of the inventory of the pharmacy providing pharmacy
services to the health center, and drugs dispensed from the
automated drug dispensing system shall be considered to have
been dispensed by that pharmacy.

(4) The pharmacy shall maintain records of the acquisition and
disposition of dangerous drugs stored in the automated drug
dispensing system separate from other pharmacy records.

(5) The pharmacy shall own and shall be solely responsible for
the security, operation, and maintenance of the automated drug
dispensing system.

(6) The pharmacy shall provide training regarding the operation
and use of the automated drug dispensing system to both pharmacy
and entity personnel using the system.

(7) The operation of the automated drug dispensing system shall
be under the supervision of a licensed pharmacist acting on behalf
of the pharmacy providing services to the health center. The
pharmacist need not be physically present at the site of the
automated drug dispensing system and may supervise the system
electronically.

(b) For purposes of this section, an “automated drug dispensing
system” has the same meaning as in subdivision (h) of Section
4186.

SEC. 2. No reimbursement is required by this act pursuant to
Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution because
the only costs that may be incurred by a local agency or school
district will be incurred because this act creates a new crime or
infraction, eliminates a crime or infraction, or changes the penalty
for a crime or infraction, within the meaning of Section 17556 of
the Government Code, or changes the definition of a crime within
the meaning of Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California
Constitution.
Section 1250 of the Health and Safety Code, may furnish a dangerous drug or dangerous device pursuant to preprinted or electronic standing orders, order sets, and protocols established under the policies and procedures of the health care facility, as approved according to the policies of the health care facility’s governing body, if the order is dated, timed, and authenticated in the medical record of the patient to whom the dangerous drug or dangerous device will be provided.

(b) A health care facility shall store and maintain drugs in accordance with national standards regarding the storage area and refrigerator or freezer temperature, and otherwise pursuant to the manufacturer’s guidelines. The health care facility’s policies and procedures shall specify these storage parameters.

(c) An intern pharmacist under the direct supervision and control, as defined in Section 4023.5, of a pharmacist, may inspect the drugs maintained in the health care facility at least once per month. The health care facility shall establish specific written policies and procedures for inspections pursuant to this subdivision.

(d) For purposes of this section, “health care facility” means a health facility licensed under subdivision (a) of Section 1250 of the Health and Safety Code.
Bill Analysis

Bill Number: SB 528

Current Version: As Amended March 28, 2017

Author: Stone

Topic: Automated Drug Dispensing Systems

Staff Recommendation: None

Affected Sections: Add BPC section 4119.11

Status: Senate Business, Professions and Economic Development Committee hearing April 17, 2017

This Bill Would:
Allow a pharmacy to provide pharmacy services to outpatients in an entity covered under Section 340B through the use of an automated drug dispensing system (ADDS) if all of the following conditions are met:

1. The ADDS is stocked with drugs purchased under the 340B Drug Pricing Program, and the pharmacy is providing services to the entity under a contract.
2. Drugs are only released to a patient upon authorization by a pharmacist after the pharmacist has reviewed the prescription and patient’s profile for contraindications and adverse drug reactions.
3. Drugs stored and dispensed are considered to have been dispensed by the pharmacy.
4. The pharmacy maintains records of acquisition and disposition separate from other pharmacy records.
5. The pharmacy is solely responsible for the ADDS.
6. The pharmacy provides training to staff (both pharmacy and entity staff).
7. The operation of the ADDS shall be under the supervision of a pharmacist and may be done electronically.

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An act to add Section 11349.95 to the Government Code, relating to regulations.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

SB 555, as introduced, Morrell. Regulations: 5-year review and report.

The Administrative Procedure Act generally sets forth the requirements for the adoption, publication, review, and implementation of regulations by state agencies.

This bill would additionally require a state agency to review and report on regulations that it adopts or amends on and after January 1, 2018, 5 years after adoption, as specified. The bill would require that the review and report include 10 specified factors, including a summary of the written criticisms of the regulation received by the agency within the immediately preceding 5 years and the estimated economic, small business, and consumer impact of the regulation. The bill would require the Office of Administrative Law to make the review and report available on the office’s Internet Web site.


The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 11349.95 is added to the Government Code, to read:

(a) (1) A state agency shall review and report on all regulations that it adopts or amends on and after January 1, 2018, as required by this section. The review and report shall be...
completed and submitted to the office on or before May 1 immediately following five years after the date the regulation was adopted or amended.

(2) The office shall make the report required by paragraph (1) available on the office’s Internet Web site.

(b) The review and report required by this section shall include all of the following factors:

(1) The general and specific statutes authorizing the regulation.

(2) The objective of the regulation.

(3) The effectiveness of the regulation in achieving the objective.

(4) The consistency of the regulation with state and federal statutes and regulations and a listing of the statutes or regulations used in determining the consistency.

(5) The agency enforcement policy, including whether the regulation is currently being enforced and, if so, whether there are any problems with enforcement.

(6) The agency view regarding current wisdom of the regulation.

(7) The clarity, conciseness, and understandability of the regulation.

(8) A summary of the written criticisms of the regulation received by the agency within the five years immediately preceding the five-year review report, including letters, memoranda, reports, and written allegations made in litigation or administrative proceedings, to which the agency was a party, that the regulation is discriminatory, unfair, unclear, inconsistent with statute, or beyond the authority of the agency to enact, and the result of the litigation or administrative proceedings.

(9) The estimated economic, small business, and consumer impact of the regulation as compared to the economic, small business, and consumer impact statement prepared on the last making of the regulation, or, if no economic, small business, and consumer impact statement was prepared on the last making of the rule, an assessment of the actual economic, small business, and consumer impact of the regulation.

(10) Course of action the agency proposes to take regarding each regulation, including the month and year in which the agency anticipates submitting the rules to the office if the agency
1 determines it is necessary to amend or repeal an existing rule, or
2 to make a new rule.
BILL ANALYSIS

Bill Number: SB 555
Current Version: As Introduced February 16, 2017
Author: Morrell
Topic: Regulations: 5-year Review and Report
Staff Recommendation: None

AFFECTED SECTIONS: Add Government Code section 11349.95


THIS BILL WOULD:
Require a state agency to provide a report five years after the date a regulation is adopted or amended to address specific elements including the effectiveness of the regulation in achieving the objective, consistency of the regulation with state and federal law, enforcement provisions, summary of written criticisms of the regulation, cost impact and future actions that may be taken by the agency.

FISCAL IMPACT:
Board staff anticipates that it will require a full-time AGPA to complete the workload associated with this measure. Board staff notes that the board is averaging six rulemakings a year. This workload cannot be absorbed within existing resources.

SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:
SUPPORT:
Automotive Specialty Products Alliance
California Apartment Association
California Association of Licensed Investigators, Inc.
California Business Properties Association
California Chamber of Commerce
California Farm Bureau Federation
California Growers Association
California Independent Petroleum Association
California Lodging Industry Association
California Manufacturers & Technology Association
California Professional Association of Specialty Contractors
California Retailers Association
California Sportsman’s Lobby
California Trucking Association
Camarillo Chamber of Commerce
Consumer Specialty Products Association
Family Business Association of California
Independent Lodging Industry Association
Industrial Environmental Association
Murrieta Chamber of Commerce, Inc.
National Shooting Sports Foundation
Outdoor Sportsmen's Coalition of California
Safari Club International
Santa Barbara Regional Chamber of Commerce
Torrance Area Chamber of Commerce
Western Growers Association
Western Wood Preservers Institute

OPPOSITION:
California Labor Federation

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An act to add Article 16 (commencing with Section 870) to Chapter 1 of Division 2 of the Business and Professions Code, relating to healing arts.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST


Existing law provides for the licensure and regulation of various healing arts professions by various boards, as defined, within the Department of Consumer Affairs. Existing law imposes certain fines and other penalties for, and authorizes these boards to take disciplinary action against licensees for, violations of the provisions governing those professions.

This bill would prohibit the boards from taking disciplinary action against, or otherwise penalizing, healing arts licensees who violate those provisions but correct the violations within 15 days and who are not currently on probation at the time of the violations, if the violations did not cause irreparable harm and will not result in irreparable harm if left uncorrected for 15 days.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Article 16 (commencing with Section 870) is added to Chapter 1 of Division 2 of the Business and Professions Code, to read:

Article 16. Grace Period for Violations

870. Notwithstanding any other law, a person with a license issued pursuant to this division shall not be subject to disciplinary action by, or otherwise penalized by, the board that issued the license for a violation of a provision applicable to the license if both all of the following apply:

(a) The violation did not cause any irreparable harm and will not result in irreparable harm if left uncorrected for 15 days.

(b) The person licensee corrects the violation within 15 days.

(c) The licensee is not currently on probation at the time of the violation.
AFFECTED SECTIONS: Add Article 16 to Division 2 of the Business and Professions Code

STATUS: Senate Business, Professions and Economic Development Committee hearing April 17, 2017

THIS BILL WOULD:
Prohibit a board from issuing a violation to a licensee under the following conditions:
1. The violation did not cause any irreparable harm and will not result in irreparable harm if left uncorrected for 15 days
2. The licensee corrects the violation with 15 days
3. The licensee is not currently on probation at the time of the violation

STAFF COMMENTS:
The board’s consumer protection mandate requires the board to act on behalf of consumers. To do that, the board must retain flexibility in how it can address violations that occur. Staff notes that in many cases, the board learns of alleged violations from other sources, e.g. consumers who have received the wrong medication. Staff is unclear on how such a violation could be corrected.

Inherent in the inspection and investigation process are opportunities for licensees to address violations that are identified. For example, staff notes that between July 1, 2013 and June 30, 2016 the board conducted 6,435 inspections. The board identified 6,849 corrections. In such cases, the licensee was advised to fix the issue. Such corrections do not result in additional action. Also, as part of the inspection process, a licensee has the option to appeal a correction finding though an informal office conference. In addition to the corrections identified the board also identified 2,160 violations of law, where the licensee would be provided 14 days to provide the inspector with supplemental information for the inspector to consider when making a final determination.

A review of citations and fines issued reveals that in FY 2013/14 the board issued 1,983 citations and fines. Of those the top violations resulted from prescription errors, self-use of dangerous drugs and/or alcohol, and conviction of a crime. FYs 2014/15 and FY 2015/16 reflect the same top three violations. As required by regulation (Title 16, CCR 1775.2) in assessing the amount of an administrative fine, the following factors must be considered:
1. Gravity of the violation
2. Good or bad faith of the cited person or entity
3. History of previous violations
4. Evidence that the violation was or was not willful
5. Extent to which the cited person or entity has cooperated with the board’s investigation
6. Extent to which the cited person or entity has mitigated or attempted to mitigate any damage or injury caused by the violations
7. Other matters that may be appropriate
8. Number of violations found in the investigation

SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

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SECTION 1. Section 11165 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

11165. (a) To assist health care practitioners in their efforts to ensure appropriate prescribing, ordering, administering, furnishing, and dispensing of controlled substances, law enforcement and regulatory agencies in their efforts to control the diversion and resultant abuse of Schedule II, Schedule III, and Schedule IV controlled substances, and for statistical analysis, education, and research, the Department of Justice shall, contingent upon the availability of adequate funds in the CURES Fund, maintain the Controlled Substance Utilization Review and Evaluation System (CURES) for the electronic monitoring of, and Internet access to information regarding, the prescribing and dispensing of Schedule II, Schedule III, and Schedule IV controlled substances by all practitioners authorized to prescribe, order, administer, furnish, or dispense these controlled substances.

(b) The Department of Justice may seek and use grant funds to pay the costs incurred by the operation and maintenance of CURES. The department shall annually report to the Legislature and make available to the public the amount and source of funds it receives for support of CURES.

(c) (1) The operation of CURES shall comply with all applicable federal and state privacy and security laws and regulations.

(2) (A) CURES shall operate under existing provisions of law to safeguard the privacy and confidentiality of patients. Data obtained from CURES shall only be provided to appropriate state, local, and federal public agencies for disciplinary, civil, or criminal purposes and to other agencies or entities, as determined by the Department of Justice, for the purpose of educating practitioners and others in lieu of disciplinary, civil, or criminal actions. Data may be provided to public or private entities, as approved by the Department of Justice, for educational, peer review, statistical, or research purposes, provided that patient information, including any information that may identify the patient, is not compromised. Further, data disclosed to any individual or agency as described in this subdivision shall not be disclosed, sold, or transferred to any third party, unless authorized by, or pursuant to, state and federal privacy and security laws and regulations. The Department of Justice shall establish policies, procedures, and regulations regarding the use, access, evaluation, management, implementation, operation, storage, disclosure, and security of the information within CURES, consistent with this subdivision.

(B) The Department of Justice shall only provide data obtained from CURES to a federal, state, or local law enforcement agency pursuant to a valid court order or warrant based on probable cause and issued at the request of a federal, state, or local law enforcement agency engaged in an open and active investigation regarding prescription drug abuse or diversion of prescription of controlled substances involving the individual to whom the requested information pertains.

(C) The Department of Justice shall establish policies, procedures, and regulations regarding the use, access, evaluation, management, implementation, operation, storage, disclosure, and security of the information within CURES, consistent with Section 11165.1.

(3) (D) Notwithstanding subparagraph (A), a regulatory board whose licensees do not prescribe, order, administer, furnish, or dispense controlled substances shall not be provided data obtained from CURES.

(3) In accordance with federal and state privacy laws and regulations, a health care practitioner may provide a patient with a copy of the patient’s CURES patient activity report as long as no additional CURES data is provided and keep a copy of the report in the patient’s medical record in compliance with subdivision (d) of Section 11165.1.

(d) For each prescription for a Schedule II, Schedule III, or Schedule IV controlled substance, as defined in the controlled substances schedules in federal law and regulations, specifically Sections 1308.12, 1308.13, and 1308.14, respectively, of Title 21 of the Code of Federal Regulations, the dispensing pharmacy, clinic, or other dispenser shall report the following information to the Department of Justice as soon as reasonably possible, but not more than seven days after the date a controlled substance is dispensed, in a format specified by the Department of Justice:

(1) Full name, address, and, if available, telephone number of the ultimate user or research subject, or contact information as determined by the Secretary of the United States Department of Health and Human Services, and the gender, and date of birth of the ultimate user.
(2) The prescriber's category of licensure, license number, national provider identifier (NPI) number, if applicable, the federal controlled substance registration number, and the state medical license number of any prescriber using the federal controlled substance registration number of a government-exempt facility.

(3) Pharmacy prescription number, license number, NPI number, and federal controlled substance registration number.

(4) National Drug Code (NDC) number of the controlled substance dispensed.

(5) Quantity of the controlled substance dispensed.

(6) International Statistical Classification of Diseases, 9th revision (ICD-9) or 10th revision (ICD-10) Code, if available.

(7) Number of refills ordered.

(8) Whether the drug was dispensed as a refill of a prescription or as a first-time request.

(9) Date of origin of the prescription.

(10) Date of dispensing of the prescription.

(e) The Department of Justice may invite stakeholders to assist, advise, and make recommendations on the establishment of rules and regulations necessary to ensure the proper administration and enforcement of the CURES database. All prescriber and dispenser invitees shall be licensed by one of the boards or committees identified in subdivision (d) of Section 208 of the Business and Professions Code, in active practice in California, and a regular user of CURES.

(f) The Department of Justice shall, prior to upgrading CURES, consult with prescribers licensed by one of the boards or committees identified in subdivision (d) of Section 208 of the Business and Professions Code, one or more of the boards or committees identified in subdivision (d) of Section 208 of the Business and Professions Code, and any other stakeholder identified by the department, for the purpose of identifying desirable capabilities and upgrades to the CURES Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP).

(g) The Department of Justice may establish a process to educate authorized subscribers of the CURES PDMP on how to access and use the CURES PDMP.
BILL ANALYSIS

Bill Number: SB 641
Current Version: As Amended March 28, 2017
Author: Lara
Topic: Controlled Substance Utilization Review and Evaluation System: Privacy
Staff Recommendation: Oppose Unless Amended

AFFECTED SECTIONS: Amend HSC Code section 11165

STATUS: Public Safety Committee hearing April 17, 2017

THIS BILL WOULD:
Prohibit the release of data obtained from CURES to a law enforcement agency except pursuant to a valid court order. Also it would allow DOJ to convene stakeholder meetings to assist and make recommendations on the establishment of rules and regulations necessary to ensure the proper administration and enforcement of the CURES database.

STAFF COMMENTS:
It appears to be problematic to allow stakeholders to make recommendations on the rules and regulations necessary to ensure appropriate administration and enforcement of the CURES database. The board’s consumer protection mandate is clear and indicates that whenever protection of the public is inconsistent with other interests sought, the protection of the public shall be paramount. Allowing unspecified stakeholders to participate in a process to make such recommendations could create problems and undermine the board’s authority. Board staff suggests that amendments be offered to specifically identify that at minimum the board be part of any stakeholder meeting.

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SENATE BILL No. 716

Introduced by Senator Hernandez

February 17, 2017

An act to amend Section 1366.24 of the Health and Safety Code, and to amend Section 10128.54 of the Insurance Code, 4001 of the Business and Professions Code, relating to health care coverage, professions and vocations.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST


The Pharmacy Law establishes the California State Board of Pharmacy within the Department of Consumer Affairs for the licensure and regulation of pharmacists and pharmacies. Under that law, the board is comprised of 13 members, including 7 competent pharmacists appointed by the Governor and 6 public members appointed as specified.

This bill would increase the number of members of the board to 14 by adding one pharmacy technician appointed by the Governor. The bill would require this pharmacy technician board member to have at least 5 years of experience and to continue to work in California as a pharmacy technician. The bill would require the pharmacy technician board member to have specified work experience as a pharmacy technician and to have documented work experience in a variety of pharmacy procedures and practices, as specified.

The Knox-Keene Health Care Service Plan Act of 1975 provides for the licensure and regulation of health care service plans by the Department of Managed Health Care and makes a willful violation of the act a crime. Existing law also provides for regulation of health
insurers by the Department of Insurance. The California Continuation Benefits Replacement Act (Cal-COBRA) requires health care service plans and health insurers providing coverage under a group benefit plan to employers of 2 to 19 eligible employees to offer a continuation of that coverage for a specified period of time to certain qualified beneficiaries, as specified.

Existing law requires plans and insurers to make certain disclosures to covered employees of group benefit plans subject to Cal-COBRA, including that a qualified beneficiary who wishes to continue coverage under the group benefit plan is required to request the continuation in writing and deliver the written request by mail or personal delivery. Existing law requires the qualified beneficiary’s first premium payment required to establish a premium payment to be delivered by mail or other reliable means of delivery, including personal delivery.

This bill would also include electronic mail or electronic submission as permitted methods of delivery.


The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 4001 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

4001. (a) There is in the Department of Consumer Affairs a California State Board of Pharmacy in which the administration and enforcement of this chapter is vested. The board consists of 14 members.

(b) The Governor shall appoint seven competent pharmacists who reside in different parts of the state to serve as members of the board. The Governor shall appoint one pharmacy technician as a member of the board. The Governor shall appoint four public members, and the Senate Committee on Rules and the Speaker of the Assembly shall each appoint a public member who shall not be a licensee of the board, any other board under this division, or any board referred to in Section 1000 or 3600.

(c) (1) At least five of the seven pharmacist appointees to the board shall be pharmacists who are actively engaged in the practice of pharmacy. Additionally, the membership of the board shall also include at least one pharmacist representative from each of the following practice settings: an acute care hospital, an independent
community pharmacy, a chain community pharmacy, and a long-term health care or skilled nursing facility. The pharmacist appointees shall also include a pharmacist who is a member of a labor union that represents pharmacists. For the purposes of this subdivision, a “chain community pharmacy” means a chain of 75 or more stores in California under the same ownership, and an “independent community pharmacy” means a pharmacy owned by a person or entity who owns no more than four pharmacies in California.

(2) (A) The pharmacy technician board member shall have at least five years of experience and shall continue to work in California as a pharmacy technician.

(B) The pharmacy technician board member shall have work experience as a pharmacy technician in at least two of the following health care settings:

(i) Acute care hospital.

(ii) Outpatient care clinic.

(iii) Long-term care facility.

(iv) Primary care clinic.

(C) The pharmacy technician board member shall have documented work experience in a variety of pharmacy procedures and practices, including, but not limited to, procedures and practices related to sterile compounding, medication reconciliation, medication history, and automated drug delivery devices.

(d) Members of the board shall be appointed for a term of four years. No person shall serve as a member of the board for more than two consecutive terms. Each member shall hold office until the appointment and qualification of his or her successor or until one year shall have elapsed since the expiration of the term for which the member was appointed, whichever first occurs. Vacancies occurring shall be filled by appointment for the unexpired term.

(e) Each member of the board shall receive a per diem and expenses as provided in Section 103.

(f) This section shall remain in effect only until January 1, 2021, and as of that date is repealed. Notwithstanding any other law, the repeal of this section renders the board subject to review by the appropriate policy committees of the Legislature.
All matter omitted in this version of the bill appears in the bill as introduced in the Senate, February 17, 2017. (JR11)
Bill Number: SB 716
Current Version: As Amended March 17, 2017
Author: Hernandez
Topic: California Board of Pharmacy
Staff Recommendation: None

AFFECTED SECTIONS: Amend BPC section 106

STATUS: Senate Business, Professions and Economic Development Committee hearing April 17, 2017

THIS BILL WOULD:
Add a pharmacy technician position to the current composition of the board.

SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:
SUPPORT:
California Society of Health Systems Pharmacists

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Drug Warnings

1744
To Amend Section 1744 of Article 5 of Division 17 of Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations to read as follows:

1744. Drug Warnings

Pursuant to Business and Professions Code Section 4074, a pharmacist shall inform the patient or his or her representative of the harmful effects of certain drugs dispensed by prescription. (a) Because the following classes of drugs may impair a person's ability to drive or operate a motor vehicle or vessel, operate machinery when taken alone or in combination with alcohol, a pharmacist shall include a written label on the drug container indicating that the drug may impair a person's ability to operate a vehicle or vessel:

(1) Muscle relaxants.
(2) Analgesics with central nervous system depressant effects.
(3) Antipsychotic drugs with central nervous system depressant effects including phenothiazines.
(4) Antidepressants with central nervous system depressant effects.
(5) Antihistamines, motion sickness agents, antipruritics, antinauseants, anticonvulsants and antihypertensive agents with central nervous system depressant effects.
(6) Any other drug which, based on the pharmacist's professional judgment, may impair a patient's ability to operate a vehicle or vessel.

(b) Because the following are examples of drugs which may cause a substantial risk to the person consuming the drug when taken in combination with alcohol, a pharmacist shall include a written label on the drug container to alert the patient about possible harmful effects when taken in combination with alcohol. These may or may not affect a person's ability to operate a motor vehicle.

(1) Disulfiram and other drugs (e.g., chlorpropamide, metronidazole) which may cause a disulfiram-like reaction.
(2) Monoamine oxidase inhibitors.
(3) Nitrates.
(4) Cycloserine.
(5) Antidiabetic agents including insulin and sulfonyleureas (due to risk of hypoglycemia).
(6) Any other drug which, based upon a pharmacist's professional judgment, may pose a substantial risk to the person consuming the drug when taken in combination with alcohol.


Virginia Harold, Executive Officer
California State Board of Pharmacy
Attachment 4
Patient-Centered Labels: Requirements

1707.5
Title 16. Board of Pharmacy

Order of Adoption

To Amend Section 1707.5 of Article 2 of Division 17 of Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations to read as follows:

§ 1707.5. Patient-Centered Labels for Prescription Drug Containers; Requirements.

(a) Labels on drug containers dispensed to patients in California shall conform to the following format:

(1) Each of the following items, and only these four items, shall be clustered into one area of the label that comprises at least 50 percent of the label. Each item shall be printed in at least a 12-point sans serif typeface, and listed in the following order:

(A) Name of the patient

(B) Name of the drug and strength of the drug. For the purposes of this section, “name of the drug” means either the manufacturer's trade name of the drug, or the generic name and the statement “generic for _____” where the brand name is inserted, and the name of the manufacturer. In the professional judgment of the pharmacist,

(i) If the brand name is no longer widely used, the label may list only the generic name of the drug, and

(ii) The manufacturer’s name may be listed outside of the patient-centered area.

(C) The directions for the use of the drug.

(D) The condition or purpose for which the drug was prescribed if the condition or purpose is indicated on the prescription.

(2) For added emphasis, the label shall also highlight in bold typeface or color, or use blank space to set off the items listed in subdivision (a)(1).

(3) The remaining required elements for the label specified in section 4076 of the Business and Professions Code, as well as any other items of information appearing on the label or the container, shall be printed so as not to interfere with the legibility or emphasis of the primary elements specified in paragraph (1) of subdivision (a). These additional elements may appear in any style, font, and size typeface.

(4) When applicable, directions for use shall use one of the following phrases:

(A) Take 1 [insert appropriate dosage form] at bedtime

(B) Take 2 [insert appropriate dosage form] at bedtime

(C) Take 3 [insert appropriate dosage form] at bedtime

(D) Take 1 [insert appropriate dosage form] in the morning

(E) Take 2 [insert appropriate dosage form] in the morning

(F) Take 3 [insert appropriate dosage form] in the morning

(G) Take 1 [insert appropriate dosage form] in the morning, and Take 1 [insert appropriate dosage form] at bedtime

(H) Take 2 [insert appropriate dosage form] in the morning, and Take 2 [insert appropriate dosage form] at bedtime
(I) Take 3 [insert appropriate dosage form] in the morning, and Take 3 [insert appropriate dosage form] at bedtime

(J) Take 1 [insert appropriate dosage form] in the morning, 1 [insert appropriate dosage form] at noon, and 1 [insert appropriate dosage form] in the evening

(K) Take 2 [insert appropriate dosage form] in the morning, 2 [insert appropriate dosage form] at noon, and 2 [insert appropriate dosage form] in the evening

(L) Take 3 [insert appropriate dosage form] in the morning, 3 [insert appropriate dosage form] at noon, and 3 [insert appropriate dosage form] in the evening

(M) Take 1 [insert appropriate dosage form] in the morning, 1 [insert appropriate dosage form] at noon, 1 [insert appropriate dosage form] in the evening, and 1 [insert appropriate dosage form] at bedtime

(N) Take 2 [insert appropriate dosage form] in the morning, 2 [insert appropriate dosage form] at noon, 2 [insert appropriate dosage form] in the evening, and 2 [insert appropriate dosage form] at bedtime

(O) Take 3 [insert appropriate dosage form] in the morning, 3 [insert appropriate dosage form] at noon, 3 [insert appropriate dosage form] in the evening, and 3 [insert appropriate dosage form] at bedtime

(P) If you have pain, take __ [insert appropriate dosage form] at a time. Wait at least __ hours before taking again. Do not take more than __ [appropriate dosage form] in one day

(b) By October 2011, and updated as necessary, the board shall publish on its Web site translation of the directions for use listed in subdivision (a)(4) into at least five languages other than English, to facilitate the use thereof by California pharmacies.

(c) The board shall collect and publish on its Web site examples of labels conforming to these requirements, to aid pharmacies in label design and compliance.

(d) The pharmacy shall have policies and procedures in place to help patients with limited or no English proficiency understand the information on the label as specified in subdivision (a) in the patient's language. The pharmacy's policies and procedures shall be specified in writing and shall include, at minimum, the selected means to identify the patient's language and to provide interpretive services and translation services in the patient's language. The pharmacy shall, at minimum, provide interpretive services in the patient's language, if interpretive services in such language are available, during all hours that the pharmacy is open, either in person by pharmacy staff or by use of a third-party interpretive service available by telephone at or adjacent to the pharmacy counter.

(e) The board shall re-evaluate the requirements of this section by December 2013 to ensure optimal conformance with Business and Professions Code section 4076.5.

(4) (e) As used in this section, “appropriate dosage form” includes pill, caplet, capsule or tablet.

Note: Authority cited: Sections 4005 and 4076.5, Business and Professions Code. Reference: Sections 4005, 4076 and 4076.5, Business and Professions Code.
Attachment 5
Continuing Education

16 CCR § 1732.05, 1732.2, & 1732.5
Proposal to amend § 1732.05 in Article 4 of Division 17 of Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations to read:

§1732.05. Accreditation Agencies for Continuing Education

(a) The following organizations are approved accreditation agencies:

(1) The Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education.

(2) The Pharmacy Foundation of California, California Pharmacists Association.

(b) Accreditation agencies shall:

(1) Evaluate each continuing education provider seeking accreditation in accordance with the provider's ability to comply with the requirements of section 1732.1 of this Division.

(2) Maintain a list of the name and address of the person responsible for the provider's continuing education program. The accreditation agency shall require that any change in the responsible person's identity shall be reported to the accreditation agency within 15 days of the effective date of the change.

(3) Provide the board with the names, addresses and responsible party of each provider, upon request.

(4) Respond to complaints from the board, providers or from pharmacists concerning activities of any of its accredited providers or their coursework.

(5) Review at least one course per year offered by each provider accredited by the agency for compliance with the agency's requirements and requirements of the board and, on request, report the findings of such reviews to the board.

(6) Take such action as is necessary to assure that the continuing education coursework offered by its providers meets the continuing education requirements of the board.

(7) Verify the completion of a specific continuing education course by an individual pharmacist upon request of the board.

(c) Substantial failure of an approved accreditation agency to evaluate continuing education providers as set forth in subdivision (b) shall constitute cause for revocation of its approval as an accreditation agency by the board.
Proposal to amend § 1732.2 in Article 4 of Division 17 of Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations to read:

§ 1732.2. Board Accredited Continuing Education

(a) Individuals may petition the board to allow continuing education credit for specific coursework which is not offered by a provider but meets the standards of Section 1732.3.

(b) Notwithstanding subdivision (a) of this section, coursework which meets the standard of relevance to pharmacy practice and has been approved for continuing education by the Medical Board of California, the California Board of Podiatric Medicine, the California Board of Registered Nursing or the Dental Board of California shall, upon satisfactory completion, be considered approved continuing education for pharmacists.

(c) A pharmacist serving on a designated subcommittee of the board for the purpose of developing the California Practice Standards and Jurisprudence Examination for pharmacists pursuant to section 4200.2 of the Business and Professions Code may annually be awarded up to six (6) hours of continuing education for conducting a review of exam test questions. A subcommittee member shall not receive continuing education hours pursuant to this subdivision if that subcommittee member requests reimbursement from the board for time spent conducting a review of exam test questions.

(d) A pharmacist or pharmacy technician who attends a full day board meeting may be awarded six (6) hours of continuing education per renewal period. The board shall designate on its public agenda which day shall be eligible for continuing education credit. A pharmacist or pharmacy technician requesting continuing education pursuant to this subdivision must sign in and out on an attendance sheet at the board meeting that requires the individual to provide his or her first and last name, license number, time of arrival and time of departure from the meeting.

(e) A pharmacist or pharmacy technician who attends a full committee meeting of the board may be awarded two (2) hours of continuing education per renewal period. A pharmacist or pharmacy technician requesting continuing education hours pursuant to this subdivision must sign in and out on an attendance sheet at the committee meeting that requires the individual to provide his or her first and last name, license number, time of arrival and time of departure from the meeting.

(f) An individual may be awarded three (3) hours of continuing education for successfully passing the examination administered by the Commission for Certification in Geriatric Pharmacy.
Proposal to amend § 1732.5 of Article 4 of Division 17 of Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations to read:

§1732.5 Renewal Requirements for Pharmacists

(a) Except as provided in Section 4234 of the Business and Professions Code and Section 1732.6 of this Division, each applicant for renewal of a pharmacist license shall submit proof satisfactory to the board, that the applicant has completed 30 hours of continuing education in the prior 24 months.

(b) At least two (2) of the thirty (30) hours required for pharmacist license renewal shall be completed by participation in a Board provided CE course in Law and Ethics. Pharmacists renewing their licenses which expire on or after July 1, 2019, shall be subject to the requirements of this subdivision.

(c) All pharmacists shall retain their certificates of completion for four (4) years following completion of a continuing education course.
Attachment 6
Renewal Requirements
16 CCR §§ 1702, 1702.1, 1702.2, and 1702.5
Amend Section 1702 of Article 5 of Division 17 of Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations to read as follows:

1702. Pharmacist Renewal Requirements
(a) A pharmacist applicant for renewal who has not previously submitted fingerprints as a condition of licensure or for whom an electronic record of the licensee’s fingerprints does not exist in the Department of Justice’s criminal offender record identification database shall successfully complete a state and federal level criminal offender record information search conducted through the Department of Justice by the licensee’s or registrant’s renewal date that occurs on or after December 7, 2010.

(1) A pharmacist shall retain for at least three years as evidence of having complied with subdivision (a) either a receipt showing that he or she has electronically transmitted his or her fingerprint images to the Department of Justice or, for those who did not use an electronic fingerprinting system, a receipt evidencing that his or her fingerprints were recorded and submitted to the Board.

(2) A pharmacist applicant for renewal shall pay the actual cost of compliance with subdivision (a).

(3) As a condition of petitioning the board for reinstatement of a revoked or surrendered license, or for restoration of a retired license, an applicant shall comply with subdivision (a).

(4) The board may waive the requirements of this section for licensees who are actively serving in the United States military. The board may not return a license to active status until the licensee has complied with subdivision (a).

(b) As a condition of renewal, a pharmacist applicant shall disclose on the renewal form whether he or she has been convicted, as defined in Section 490 of the Business and Professions Code, of any violation of the law in this or any other state, the United States, or other country, since his or her last renewal. Traffic infractions under $300 not involving alcohol, dangerous drugs, or controlled substances do not need to be disclosed.

(c) As a condition of renewal, a pharmacist applicant shall disclose on the renewal form any disciplinary action against any license issued to the applicant by a government agency. For the purposes of this section, “disciplinary action” means an adverse licensure or certification action that resulted in a restriction or penalty being placed on the license, such as revocation, suspension, probation or public reprimand or reproval.

(d) Failure to provide all of the information required by this section renders an application for renewal incomplete and the board shall not renew the license and shall issue the applicant an inactive pharmacist license. An inactive pharmacist license issued pursuant to this section may only be reactivated after compliance is confirmed for all licensure renewal requirements.

Authority: Sections 4001.1 and 4005, Business and Professions Code.
Reference: Sections 490, 4036, 4200.5, 4207, 4301, 4301.5 and 4400, Business and Professions Code; and Sections 11105(b)(10) and 11105(e), Penal Code.
Adopt Section 1702.1 of Article 5 of Division 17 of Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations to read as follows:

1702.1 Pharmacy Technician Renewal Requirements
(a) A pharmacy technician applicant for renewal who has not previously submitted fingerprints as a condition of licensure or for whom an electronic record of the licensee’s fingerprints does not exist in the Department of Justice’s criminal offender record identification database shall successfully complete a state and federal level criminal offender record information search conducted through the Department of Justice by the licensee’s or registrant’s renewal date that occurs on or after July 1, 2017.

1. A pharmacy technician shall retain for at least three years as evidence of having complied with subdivision (a) either a receipt showing that he or she has electronically transmitted his or her fingerprint images to the Department of Justice or, for those who did not use an electronic fingerprinting system, a receipt evidencing that his or her fingerprints were recorded and submitted to the Board.

2. A pharmacy technician applicant for renewal shall pay the actual cost of compliance with subdivision (a).

3. As a condition of petitioning the board for reinstatement of a revoked or surrendered license an applicant shall comply with subdivision (a).

4. The board may waive the requirements of this section for licensees who are actively serving in the United States military. The board may not return a license to active status until the licensee has complied with subdivision (a).

(b) As a condition of renewal, a pharmacy technician applicant shall disclose on the renewal form whether he or she has been convicted, as defined in Section 490 of the Business and Professions Code, of any violation of the law in this or any other state, the United States, or other country, since his or her last renewal. Traffic infractions under $500 not involving alcohol, dangerous drugs, or controlled substances do not need to be disclosed.

(c) As a condition of renewal, a pharmacy technician applicant shall disclose on the renewal form any disciplinary action against any license issued to the applicant by a government agency. For the purposes of this section, “disciplinary action” means an adverse licensure or certification action that resulted in a restriction or penalty against the license or certification such as revocation, suspension, probation or public reprimand or reproval.

(d) Failure to provide all of the information required by this section renders an application for renewal incomplete and the board shall not renew the license until the licensee demonstrates compliance with all requirements.

Authority: Sections 4001.1 and 4005, Business and Professions Code.
Reference: Sections 490, 4038, 4115, 4202, 4207, 4301, 4301.5 and 4400, Business and Professions Code; and Sections 11105(b)(10) and 11105(e), Penal Code.
Adopt Section 1702.2 of Article 5 of Division 17 of Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations to read as follows:

1702.2 Designated Representative Renewal Requirements

(a) A designated representative applicant for renewal who has not previously submitted fingerprints as a condition of licensure or for whom an electronic record of the licensee’s fingerprints does not exist in the Department of Justice’s criminal offender record identification database shall successfully complete a state and federal level criminal offender record information search conducted through the Department of Justice by the licensee’s or registrant’s renewal date that occurs on or after July 1, 2017.

1. A designated representative shall retain for at least three years as evidence of having complied with subdivision (a) either a receipt showing that he or she has electronically transmitted his or her fingerprint images to the Department of Justice or, for those who did not use an electronic fingerprinting system, a receipt evidencing that his or her fingerprints were recorded and submitted to the Board.

2. A designated representative applicant for renewal shall pay the actual cost of compliance with subdivision (a).

3. As a condition of petitioning the board for reinstatement of a revoked or surrendered license an applicant shall comply with subdivision (a).

4. The board may waive the requirements of this section for licensees who are actively serving in the United States military. The board may not return a license to active status until the licensee has complied with subdivision (a).

(b) As a condition of renewal, a designated representative applicant shall disclose on the renewal form whether he or she has been convicted, as defined in Section 490 of the Business and Professions Code, of any violation of the law in this or any other state, the United States, or other country, since his or her last renewal. Traffic infractions under $500 not involving alcohol, dangerous drugs, or controlled substances do not need to be disclosed.

(c) As a condition of renewal, a designated representative applicant shall disclose on the renewal form any disciplinary action against any license issued to the applicant by a government agency. For the purposes of this section, “disciplinary action” means an adverse licensure or certification action that resulted in a restriction or penalty against the license or certification such as revocation, suspension, probation or public reprimand or reproval.

(d) Failure to provide all of the information required by this section renders an application for renewal incomplete and the board shall not renew the license until the licensee demonstrates compliance with all requirements.

Authority: Sections 4001.1 and 4005, Business and Professions Code.
Reference: Sections 490, 4022.5, 4053, 4207, 4301, 4301.5 and 4400, Business and Professions Code; and Sections 11105(b)(10) and 11105(e), Penal Code.
Adopt Section 1702.5 of Article 5 of Division 17 of Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations to read as follows:

1702.5. Disclosure of Discipline, Renewal, Nonresident Wholesaler or Nonresident Pharmacy.

(a) As a condition of renewal, an applicant seeking renewal of a license as a nonresident wholesaler or as a nonresident pharmacy shall report to the board any disciplinary action taken by any government agency since the last renewal of the license. An applicant seeking the first renewal of a license as a nonresident wholesaler or a nonresident pharmacy shall report to the board any disciplinary action taken by any government agency since issuance of the license. Failure to provide information required by this section shall render an application for renewal incomplete, and the board shall not renew the license until such time as the information is provided.

(b) For purposes of this section, “disciplinary action” means any adverse licensure or certification action that resulted in a restriction or penalty against the license or certification. Such actions include revocation, suspension, probation or public reprimand or reproval.

Authority: Section 4005, Business and Professions Code.
Reference: Sections 4112, 4161, 4300, and 4301, Business and Professions Code
Attachment 7
Prescription Drug Take-Back
1776-1776.6
Proposal to add new Article 9.1 of Division 17 of Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations and a new Article title as follows:

**Article 9.1. Prescription Drug Take-Back Programs Services**

Proposal to add § 1776 of Article 9.1 of Division 17 of Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations as follows:

**Section 1776 Prescription Drug Take-Back Programs Services: Authorization**

Pharmacies, hospitals/clinics with onsite pharmacies, distributors and reverse distributors licensed by the board and licensed skilled nursing facilities may offer, under the requirements in this article, specified prescription drug take-back services through collection receptacles, and/or mail back envelopes or packages to the public to provide options for the public to destroy discard unwanted, unused or outdated prescription drugs. Each of these entities must comply with regulations of the federal Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) and the Board of Pharmacy regulations contained in this article.

All board licensed authorized collectors should be vigilant to prevent the public patients or their agents from disposing of prohibited items through drug take-back collection methods. Federal, state and other laws prohibit the deposit in drug take-back receptacles of the following in pharmaceutical take-back receptacles: medical sharp and needles (e.g., insulin syringes), iodine containing medications, mercury containing thermometers, radiopharmaceuticals, hazardous medications (cancer chemotherapy drugs, cytotoxic drugs), illicit drugs, and compressed cylinders or aerosols (e.g., asthma inhalers).

Only California-licensed pharmacies, hospitals/clinics with onsite pharmacies, and drug distributors (licensed wholesalers and third-party logistics providers) who are registered with the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) as collectors and licensed in good standing with the board and are also registered with the Drug Enforcement Administration as collectors may host a pharmaceutical take-back receptacle as participate in drug take-back programs authorized under this article.

Note: Authority cited: Section 4005, Business and Professions Code.
Reference: Sections 4005, 4026.5, and 4301, Business and Professions Code and Section 1317.40, Title 21 Code of Federal Regulations.

Proposal to add § 1776.1 of Article 9.1 of Division 17 of Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations as follows:

Section 1776.1 Pharmacies
(a) Pharmacies may assist patients seeking to destroy unwanted, previously dispensed prescription drugs as provided in this article. Provision of such services is voluntary.
(b) Pharmacies may provide take-back services to the public as provided in sections 1776.1-1776.4. Retail pharmacies and hospital/clinics with onsite pharmacies may establish and maintain collection receptacles in their facilities. Pharmacies may operate collection receptacles for drug take-back services as specified in section 1776.4 in skilled nursing facilities licensed under Health and Safety Code section 1250(c).
(c) There are multiple federal, and state and local requirements governing the collection and destruction of dangerous drugs. Pharmacies are expected to know and adhere to these requirements when operating a prescription drug take-back program.
(d) For purposes of this article, prescription drugs means dangerous drugs as defined by the California Business and Professions Code section 4022, which includes controlled substances. Controlled substances may be commingled in collection receptacles or mail back packages or envelopes with other dangerous drugs. Once drugs are deposited into a collection receptacle or mail back envelopes or packages by a consumer, they are not to be removed, counted, sorted or otherwise individually handled separated by pharmacy staff or others.
(e) The following dangerous drugs and devices are expressly prohibited from collection in a pharmacy's prescription drug take-back collection receptacles: medical sharps and needles (e.g., insulin syringes), iodine containing medications, mercury containing thermometers, radiopharmaceuticals, antineoplastic agents (cancer chemotherapy drugs, cytotoxic drugs), and compressed cylinders or aerosols (e.g., asthma inhalers). Signage informing the public that medical sharps and needles (e.g., insulin syringes) are of the items prohibited from being deposited shall be placed posted on collection receptacles as referenced in section 1776.3.
(f) The collection receptacle shall contain signage that includes:
   (1) The name and phone number of the responsible pharmacy;
   (2) Medical sharps and needles (e.g., insulin syringes) shall not be deposited; and
   (3) Consumers may deposit prescription drugs including Schedule II-V controlled substances.
(g) Prescription drugs that are eligible for collection in as part of the drug take-back programs operated, services maintained by pharmacies are only those prescription drugs that have been dispensed by any pharmacy or practitioner to a patient or patient's agent consumer. Dangerous drugs that have not been dispensed to patients consumers for use (such as outdated drug stock in a pharmacy, drug samples provided to a medical practitioner or medical waste) may not be collected in as part of a pharmacy's drug take-back service programs.
(h) As part of its drug take-back services, a pharmacy shall not:
(1) Pharmacy staff shall not review, accept, count, sort, or otherwise individually handle any prescription drugs returned from the public consumers.

(2) A pharmacy shall not accept or possess prescription drugs returned to the pharmacy by/from skilled nursing homes facilities, residential care homes, other facilities, health care practitioners or any other entity entities in a collection receptacle.

(3) A pharmacy shall not dispose of quarantined, recalled or outdated prescription drugs from pharmacy stock in a drug take-back collection receptacle. Instead the pharmacy must return these items to a reverse distributor.

(g)(h) A pharmacy must be registered with the federal Drug Enforcement Administration DEA as a collector for purposes of operating maintaining a prescription drug take-back collection receptacle program. Such pharmacies cannot employ anyone convicted of a felony related to controlled substances, or anyone who has had a DEA permit denied, surrendered or revoked.

(h)(g)(i) Any pharmacy that operates maintains a drug take-back collection receptacle program as authorized in this article shall notify the board in writing on a form designated by the board within 30 days of establishing the collection program. Additionally:

(1) Any pharmacy that ceases to operate maintain a drug take-back collection receptacle program shall notify the board in writing within 30 days on a form designated by the board. If the pharmacy later ceased to operate the collection receptacle, the pharmacy must notify the board within 30 days.

(2) Any pharmacy operating a mail back program or maintaining a collection receptacles shall disclose identify to the board that it provides such services annually at the time of renewal of the pharmacy license, and shall identify all locations where its collection receptacles are located.

(3) Any tampering with a storage collection receptacle or theft of deposited drugs shall be reported to the board in writing within 14 days.

(4) Any tampering, damage or theft of a removed liner shall be reported to the board in writing within 14 days.

(i)(h)(j) If the pharmacy later ceases to operate maintain the registered collection receptacle, the pharmacy must notify the DEA Drug Enforcement Administration within 30 days.

(j)(i) A pharmacy shall not provide take-back services to consumers as provided in sections 1776.1-1776.4 if in the professional judgment of the pharmacist-in-charge, the pharmacy cannot comply with the provisions of this article or the DEA Drug Enforcement Administration rules.

(j)(l) A pharmacy shall not provide take-back services to consumers as provided in sections 1776.1-1776.4 if the pharmacy or the pharmacist-in-charge is on probation with the Board, and, if the pharmacy had previously provided take-back services, the pharmacist-in-charge shall notify the Board and the DEA Drug Enforcement Administration as required in subsections (h) and (i) above.

Note: Authority cited: Section 4005, Business and Professions Code.
Reference: Section 4005 and 4022, Business and Professions Code and Sections 1301.71, 1317.30, 1317.40, Title 21 Code of Federal Regulations.
Proposal to add § 1776.2 of Article 9.1 of Division 17 of Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations as follows:

1776.2 **Pharmacies Offering Mail Back Envelope or Package Services Mail Back- Package and Envelope Services from Pharmacies**

(a) Pharmacies that provide prescription drug take-back services may do so by establishing mail back services, whereby the public may obtain from the pharmacy preaddressed mailing envelopes or packages to allow a consumer to for returning prescription drugs to an authorized DEA Drug Enforcement Administration destruction location.

(b) All envelopes and packages must be preaddressed to a location registered with the DEA Drug Enforcement Administration as a collector that has onsite a method appropriate to destroy the prescription drugs. The pharmacy is responsible for ensuring that all preaddressed envelopes and packages it makes available to the public are preaddressed to be delivered for delivery to facilities that comply with this section.

(c) The preaddressed envelopes and packages must be water and spill proof, tamper evident, tear resistant and sealable. The exterior shall be nondescript and not include markings that indicate the envelope or package contains prescription drugs. Postage shall be prepaid on each envelope or package.

(d) The preaddressed envelope and package shall contain a unique identification number for each envelope and package, and certain instructions for users that indicate the process to mail back drugs.

(e) The pharmacy distributing mail back envelopes and packages shall create and maintain records required by section 1776.6.

(f) Individuals who mail back prescription drugs as provided in this section do not need to identify themselves as the senders.

(g) Once filled with unwanted prescription drugs, the pharmacy shall not accept any mail back packages or envelopes that contain drugs unless they are registered as a collector and have an onsite method of destruction that complies with the DEA requirements. Instead, consumers shall be directed to mail the envelopes or packages or deposit them into a pharmaceutical take-back receptacle, shall be mailed and not accepted by the pharmacy for return, processing or holding.

Note: Authority cited: Section 4005, Business and Professions Code.
Reference: Section 4005, Business and Professions Code and Sections 1317.70 and 1317.70, Title 21 Code of Federal Regulations.

Proposal to add § 1776.3 of Article 9.1 of Division 17 of Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations as follows:

1776.3 **Collection Receptacles in Pharmacies**

(a) A pharmacy may that provide prescription drug take-back services to the public may do so by establishing maintain a collection receptacle in the pharmacy whereby the public may deposit their unwanted prescription drugs for destruction. The
pharmacy is responsible for the management and maintenance of the receptacle. The receptacle shall be securely locked and substantially constructed, with a permanent outer container and a removable inner liner. The collection receptacle shall be locked at all times to prevent access to the inner liner. In hours when the pharmacy is closed, the collection receptacle shall not be accessible to the public for deposit of drugs. The pharmacy shall lock the deposit slot on the collection receptacle and physically block the patients from access to the collection receptacle by some means.

(b) The pharmacy operating maintaining the collection receptacle must securely install, fasten the receptacle to a permanent structure so it cannot be moved or removed. The receptacle shall be installed in an inside location within the pharmacy premises, where, Except as provided in subsection (c), the receptacle is visible to pharmacy or DEA registrant employees, but not located in or near emergency areas, nor behind the pharmacy's counter.

(c) In hospitals/clinics with a pharmacy on the premises, the collection receptacle must be located in an area that is regularly monitored by pharmacy or DEA registrant employees and not in the proximity of any emergency or urgent care areas. When no pharmacy or DEA registrant employees are present, the supervising responsible pharmacy is closed, the collection receptacle shall be locked so that drugs may not be deposited into the collection receptacle. When the collection receptacle is locked, the supervising pharmacy shall ensure that the collection receptacle is also physically blocked from public patient access by some means.

(d) The receptacle shall include a small opening that allows deposit of drugs into the inside of the receptacle directly into the inner liner, but does not allow for an individual to reach into the receptacle's contents. During hours when the pharmacy is closed, the collection receptacle shall not be accessible to the public for deposit of drugs. The pharmacy shall lock the deposit opening slot on the collection receptacle.

(e) The pharmacy is responsible for the management and maintenance of the receptacle. A pharmacy shall direct consumers to directly deposit drugs into the collection receptacle. A Pharmacy staff shall not accept, count, sort or otherwise handle prescription drugs returned from the public consumers, but instead direct the public to deposit the drugs into the collection receptacle themselves.

(f) A liner as used in this article shall be made of material that is certified by the manufacturer to meet the American Society for Testing Materials (ASTM) D1709 standard test for impact resistance of 165 grams (drop dart test), and the ASTM D1922 standards for tear resistance of 480 grams in both parallel and perpendicular planes.

(1) The liner shall be waterproof, tamper evident and tear resistant.

(2) The liner shall be opaque to prevent viewing or removal of any contents once the liner has been removed from a collection receptacle. The liner shall be clearly marked to display the maximum contents (for example, in gallons). The liner shall bear a permanent, unique identification number established by the pharmacy or pre-entered onto the liner by the liner's manufacturer or distributor.

(g) The liner shall be removable as specified in this section. The receptacle shall allow the public to deposit prescription drugs into the receptacle for containment into the inner liner, without permitting access to or removal of prescription drugs already deposited into the collection receptacle and liner. Once a prescription drug or any other item is placed in the collection receptacle, the prescription drug or item cannot be removed, counted, sorted.
or otherwise individually handled.

(h) If the liner is not already itself rigid or already inside of a rigid container when as it is removed from the collection receptacle, the liner must be immediately, without interruption, placed in a rigid container for storage, handling and transport. A rigid container may be disposable, reusable, or recyclable. Rigid containers shall be leak resistant, have sealable tight-fitting covers, and be kept clean and in good repair. Rigid containers may be of any color. All rigid containers must meet standards of the United States Department of Transportation for transport of medical waste. The containers shall be capable of being sealed and be kept clean and in good repair.

(i) The liner may be removed from a locked collection receptacle only by or under the supervision of two employees of the pharmacy. Upon removal, the liner, these pharmacy employees who shall be immediately, without interruption, sealed and the pharmacy employees shall record seal the liner and record in a written log, their participation in the removal of each liner from a collection receptacle. If the liner is not already contained in a rigid container within the receptacle, the two employees shall immediately place the liner in a rigid container. Liners and their rigid containers shall not be opened, x-rayed, analyzed or penetrated at any time by the pharmacy or pharmacy personnel.

(j) Liners and their rigid containers that have been filled and removed from a collection receptacle must be stored in a secured, locked location in the pharmacy no longer than three 14 days.

(k) The pharmacy shall make and keep the records specified in 1776.6, maintain a written log, to record information about all liners that have been placed into or removed from a collection receptacle. The log shall contain:

(1) The unique identification numbers of all unused liners in possession of the pharmacy;
(2) The unique identification number and dates a liner is placed in the collection receptacle;
(3) The date the liner is removed from the collection receptacle;
(4) The names and signatures of the two pharmacy employees who removed and witnessed the removal of a liner from the collection receptacle, and
(5) The date the liner was provided to a licensed DEA registered reverse distributor for destruction, and the signature of the two pharmacy employees who witnessed the delivery to the reverse distributor. If a common carrier is used to transport the liner to the reverse distributor, the company used, the signature of the driver, and any related paperwork (invoice, bill of lading) must be recorded.

(l) The pharmacy shall ensure the sealed inner liners and their contents are shipped to a reverse distributor's registered location by common or contract carrier (such as UPS, FEDEX or USPS) or by licensed reverse distributor pick-up at the licensed pharmacy's premises.

(m) The collection receptacle shall contain signage developed by the board advising the public that it is permissible to deposit Schedule II-V drugs into the receptacle, but not permissible to deposit any Schedule I drugs into the collection receptacle. Labeling The signage shall also identify informing the public that medical sharps and needles (e.g., insulin syringes), iodine-containing medications, mercury-containing thermometers, radiopharmaceuticals, antineoplastic agents (cancer chemotherapy drugs, cytotoxic drugs), and compressed cylinders or aerosols (e.g., asthma inhalers) may not be deposited into the receptacle. The name and phone number of the collector pharmacy responsible for the receptacle shall
also be affixed to the collection receptacle.

The collection receptacle shall contain signage that includes:
(1) The name and phone number of the responsible pharmacy;
(2) Medical sharps and needles (e.g., insulin syringes) shall not be deposited; and
(3) Consumers may deposit prescription drugs including Schedule II-V controlled substances.

(n) The board shall develop signage to appear on the collection receptacle to provide consumer information about the collection process.

Note: Authority cited: Section 4005, Business and Professions Code.
Reference: Section 4005, Business and Professions Code and Sections 1304.22, 1317.05, 1317.60, 1317.75, and 1317.80 Title 21 Code of Federal Regulations.

Proposal to add § 1776.4 of Article 9.1 of Division 17 of Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations as follows:

1776.4 Collection-Drug Take-Back Services in Skilled Nursing Facilities
A pharmacy may offer drug take-back services in skilled nursing facilities licensed under Health and Safety Code section 1250(c) may participate in drug take-back programs as authorized by this article.

(a) Skilled nursing facility personnel employees or person lawfully entitled to dispose of the resident decedent’s property may dispose of a current resident’s unwanted or unused prescription drugs by using mail back packages or envelopes and or packages based upon a request by the resident-patient. Mail back envelopes and packages shall conform to the requirements specified in section 1776.2. The pharmacy may allow skilled nursing facility employees to distribute mail back envelopes or packages to consumers. The pharmacy shall require Records shall be kept by the skilled nursing facility employees to keep records noting the specific quantity of each prescription drug mailed back, the unique identification number of the mail back package and the preaddressed location to which the mail back envelope is sent.

(b) Only retail pharmacies and hospitals/clinics with onsite pharmacies may establish collection receptacles in skilled nursing facilities for the collection and ultimate disposal of unwanted prescription drugs. A pharmacy and hospital/clinic with an onsite pharmacy maintaining a collection receptacle in a skilled nursing facility shall:

(1) Any pharmacy and hospital/clinic with an onsite pharmacy operating maintaining collection receptacles in skilled nursing facilities shall b be registered and maintain registration with the DEA as a collector.

(2) Any pharmacy or hospital/clinic with an onsite pharmacy that operates maintains a collection receptacle at a skilled nursing facility shall n notify the board in writing within 30 days of establishing a collection receptacle on a form designated by the board.

(3) Any pharmacy or hospital/clinic with an onsite pharmacy notify the board in writing within 30 days when they cease to operate maintain the collection site receptacle at a skilled nursing facility shall notify the board within 30 days on a form designated by the board.

(4) Notify the board in writing within 14 days of any tampering of the collection receptacle or theft of deposited drugs.
(5) Notify the board in writing within 14 days of any tampering, damage or theft of a removed liner.

(6) Any pharmacy operating a collection receptacle site at a skilled nursing facility shall list all collection receptacles it operates annually at the time of renewal of the pharmacy license.

(e) When a pharmacy or hospital/clinic with an onsite pharmacy installs a collection receptacle in a skilled nursing facility, only the pharmacy shall remove, seal, transfer, and store or supervise the removal, sealing, transfer and storage of sealed inner liners at long-term care facilities as specified in this section.

(d) Every pharmacy and hospital/clinic pharmacy that operates maintains a collection site receptacle at any skilled nursing facility shall notify the board within 14 days of any loss or theft from the collection receptacle or secured storage location for the storage of removed liners.

(e) Within three business days after the permanent discontinuation of use of a medication by a prescriber, as a result of the resident’s transfer to another facility or as a result of death, the skilled nursing facility may place the patient’s unneeded prescription drugs into a collection receptacle. Records of such deposit shall be made in the patient’s records, with the name and signature of the employee discarding the drugs.

(f) A collection receptacle must be located in a secured area regularly monitored by skilled nursing facility employees.

(g) The collection receptacle shall be securely fastened to a permanent structure so that it cannot be moved or removed. The collection receptacle shall have a small opening that allows deposit of drugs into the inside of the collection receptacle and directly into the inner liner, but does not allow for an individual to reach into the receptacle’s contents.

(h) The receptacle shall be securely locked and substantially constructed, with a permanent outer container and a removable inner liner.

(1) The liner shall comply with provisions in this article. The receptacle shall allow deposit of prescription drugs into the receptacle for containment into the inner liner, without permitting access to or removal of prescription drugs already deposited into the collection receptacle and liner. Once a prescription drug or any other item is placed in the collection receptacle, the prescription drug or item cannot be viewed, removed, sorted, counted, or otherwise individually handled-counted.

(2) If the liner is not already itself rigid or already inside of a rigid container as when it is removed from the collection receptacle, the liner must be immediately placed in a rigid container for storage, handling and transport. A rigid container may be disposable, reusable, or recyclable. Rigid containers shall be leak resistant, have sealable tight-fitting covers, and be kept clean and in good repair. Rigid containers may be of any color. All rigid containers must meet standards of the United States Department of Transportation for transport of medical waste. The rigid containers shall be capable of being sealed and be kept clean and in good repair.

(i) A liner as used in this article shall be made of material that is certified by the manufacturer to meet American Society for Testing Materials (ASTM) D1709 standard test for impact resistance of 165 grams (drop dart test), and the ASTM D1922 standards for tear resistance of 480 grams in both parallel and perpendicular planes.

(1) The liner shall be waterproof, tamper evident and tear resistant.

(2) The liner shall be opaque to prevent viewing or discourage removal of any
contents once the liner has been removed from a collection receptacle. The liner shall be clearly marked to display the maximum contents (for example, in gallons). The linen shall bear a permanent, unique identification number established by the pharmacy or pre-entered onto the linen by the liner’s manufacturer.

(f) The collection receptacle shall prominently display a sign indicating that prescription drugs and controlled drugs in Schedules II—V may be deposited. The name and phone number of the collector pharmacy responsible for the receptacle shall also be affixed to the collection receptacle. The collection receptacle shall contain signage that includes:

1. The name and phone number of the responsible pharmacy;
2. Medical sharps and needles (e.g., insulin syringes) shall not be deposited; and
3. Consumers may deposit prescription drugs including Schedule II-V controlled substances.

(k) Once deposited, the prescription drugs shall not be handled, counted, inventoried, sorted or otherwise individually handled.

(l) The installation, removal, transfer and storage of inner liners shall be performed only by:

1. One employee of the authorized collector pharmacy and one supervisory level employee of the long-term care facility (e.g., a charge nurse or supervisor) designated by the authorized collector, or
2. By or under the supervision of two employees of the authorized collector pharmacy.

(m) Sealed inner liners that are placed in a container may be stored at the skilled nursing facility for up to three business days in a securely locked, substantially constructed cabinet or a securely locked room with controlled access until transfer to a reverse distributor for destruction.

(n) Liners still housed in a rigid container may be delivered to a reverse distributor for destruction by two pharmacy employees delivering the sealed inner liners in the rigid containers and their contents directly to a reverse distributor’s registered location, or by common or contract carrier or by reverse distributor pickup at the skilled nursing facility.

(o) A pharmacy maintaining a collection receptacle in a skilled nursing facility shall make and keep the records as specified in 1776.6. Records of the pickup, delivery and destruction shall be maintained that provide the date each sealed inner liner was transferred for destruction, the address and registration number of the reverse distributor or distributor to whom each sealed inner was transferred, the unique identification number and the size (e.g., 5 gallon, 10 gallon) of each liner transferred, and if applicable, the names and signatures of the two employees who transported each liner.

Note: Authority cited: Section 4005, Business and Professions Code. Reference: Sections 4005, Business and Professions Code and Sections 1304.22, 1317.05, 1317.40, 1317.60, 1317.75, 1317.80, and 1317.95, Title 21 Code of Federal Regulations
Proposal to add § 1776.5 of Article 9.1 of Division 17 of Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations as follows:

1776.5 Reverse Distributors
(a) A licensed reverse distributor (either a reverse wholesaler or a reverse third-party logistics provider) registered with the DEA as a collector may accept the sealed inner liners of collection receptacles at the reverse distributor's registered location by common or contract carrier pick-up, or by reverse distributor pick-up at the collector's authorized collection location. Once received, the reverse distributor shall establish records required by this section.
(b) A licensed reverse distributor may not open, or survey, or otherwise analyze, count, inventory or otherwise sort or x-ray the contents of inner liners. All liners shall be incinerated destroyed by an appropriately licensed and registered DEA reverse distributor in a manner that makes the drugs irretrievable.
(c) If a reverse distributor picks up the sealed inner liners from the collector's authorized location, at least two employees of the reverse distributor shall be present, pick up, and accept the receipt of inner liners from DEA registrants. If the sealed inner liners are delivered to the reverse distributor via common or contract carrier, at least one employee of the reverse distributor shall accept the receipt of the inner liners at the reverse distributor's registered location.
(d) A reverse distributor shall not employ as an agent or employee anyone who has access to or influence over controlled substances, any person who has been convicted of any felony offense related to controlled substances, or who at any time has had a DEA registration revoked or suspended, or has surrendered a DEA registration for cause.
(e) Each reverse distributor with an incineration site shall maintain a record of the destruction on DEA form 41. The records shall be complete, accurate, and include the name and signature of the two employees who witness the destruction.
(f) For each sealed liner or mail back envelopes or packages received from collectors or law enforcement pursuant to federal Title 21 CFR section 1317.55, the reverse distributor shall maintain records of the number of sealed inner liners or mail back envelopes or packages, including the:
(1) Date of acquisition;
(2) Number and the size (e.g., five 10-gallon liners, etc.);
(3) Inventory Unique Identification number of each liner or envelope/package;
(4) The method of delivery to the reverse distributor, the signature of the individuals delivering the liners to the reverse distributor, and the reverse distributor's employees who received the sealed liner;
(5) The date, place and method of destruction;
(6) Number of packages and inner liners received;
(7) Number of packages and inner liners destroyed;
(8) The number name and signature of the two employees of the registrant that witnessed the destruction.
(f) For liners only, the information specified in subsection (e)(1)-(8) above shall be created at the time of receipt and at the time of destruction.

Note: Authority cited: Section 4005, Business and Professions Code.
Reference: Sections 4005, Business and Professions Code and Section 1301.71, 1304.21, 1304.22, 1317.15, and 1317.55 Title 21 Code of Federal Regulations.

Proposal to add § 1776.6 of Article 9.1 of Division 17 of Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations as follows:

1776.6 Record Keeping Requirements for Board Licensees Providing Drug Take-Back Services
Each entity authorized by this article to collect unwanted prescription drugs from patients shall maintain the following records required by this article for three years.
(a) When obtaining unused mail-back packages and envelopes for future distribution:
   (1) The collector-pharmacy shall maintain records that identify: the date the envelope or package was obtained by the pharmacy, the number of packages/envelopes made available to the public, and the unique identification number of each package.
   (2) For unused packages and envelopes provided to a skilled nursing facility or third-party to make available to patients and other authorized individuals: the name of the third-party and physical address of the location receiving the unused packages, date sent, and the number of unused packages sent with the corresponding unique identification number.
(b) For each mail-back package or envelope distributed by a pharmacy, the pharmacy shall record the serial number of each package or envelope distributed and the date distributed.
(e) For sealed mail-back packages received by the reverse distributor: the date of receipt and the unique identification of the individual package or envelope.
(d) For sealed mail back packages destroyed on site by the reverse distributor collector: number of sealed mail-back packages destroyed, the date and method of destruction, the unique identification number of each mail-back package destroyed, and the names and signatures of the two employees of the registrant who witnessed the destruction.

(e) (a) For pharmacies using maintaining collection receptacles, the pharmacy shall make and keep the following records for each liner:
   (1) Date each unused liner is acquired, its unique identification number and size (e.g., five gallon, 10-gallon). The pharmacy shall assign the unique identification number if the liner does not already contain one.
   (2) Date each liner is installed in a collection receptacle, the address of the location where each liner is installed, the unique identification number and size (e.g., five gallon, 10-gallon), the registration number of the collector pharmacy, and the names and signatures of the two employees that witnessed each installation.
   (3) Date each inner liner is removed and sealed, the address of the location from which each inner liner is removed, the unique identification number and size (e.g., 5 gallon, 10 gallon) of each inner liner removed, the registration number of the collector pharmacy, and the names and signatures of the two employees that witnessed each removal and sealing.
   (4) Date each sealed inner liner is transferred to storage, the unique identification number and size (e.g., 5-gallon, 10-gallon) of each inner liner stored, and the names and signatures of the two employees that transferred each sealed inner liner to storage.
   (5) Date each sealed inner liner is transferred for destruction, the address and registration...
number of the reverse distributor or distributor to whom each sealed inner liner was transferred, the unique Identification number and the size (e.g., 5 gallon, 10 gallon) of each liner transferred, and the names and signatures of the two employees who transferred each sealed inner liner to the reverse distributor or distributor, or the common carrier who delivered it, the company used, and any related paperwork (invoice, bill of lading) and the signature of the driver.

(b) For each reverse distributor (wholesaler or third-party logistics provider) accepting sealed mail-back packages: the date of receipt and the unique identification of the individual package or envelope.

c) For each reverse distributor that will destroy the mail-back packages: the number of sealed mail-back packages destroyed, the date and method of destruction, the unique identification number of each mail-back package destroyed, and the names and signatures of the two employees of the registrant who witness the destruction.

(d) For each reverse distributor (wholesaler or third-party logistics provider) accepting liners, the following records must be maintained, with recording taking place immediately upon receipt of a liner:

1. The date of receipt of each liner, the unique serial number of the liner, the pharmacy from which the liner was received, the method by which the liner was delivered to the reverse distributor (e.g., personal delivery by two pharmacy staff, shipping via common carrier or pick-up by reverse distributor).

2. For each liner destroyed by the reverse distributor collector: the method and date of destruction, listed by the unique identification number of liner and other items required by (d)(1), and the names and signatures of the two employees of the registrant who witness the destruction.

Note: Authority cited: Section 4005, Business and Professions Code. Reference: Sections 4005, Business and Professions Code and Section 1317.22-1304.22, Title 21 Code of Federal Regulations
Delegation of Certain Function
1703
Amend Section 1703 of Article 1 of Division 17 of Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations to read:

§ 1703. Delegation of Certain Functions.

The power and discretion conferred by law upon the board to receive and file accusations; issue notices of hearing, statements to respondent and statements of issues; receive and file notices of defense; determine the time and place of hearings under Section 11508 of the Government Code; set and calendar cases for hearing and perform other functions necessary to the business-like dispatch of the business of the board in connection with proceedings under the provisions of Sections 11500 through 11528 of the Government Code, prior to the hearing of such proceedings; the certification and delivery or mailing of copies of decisions under Section 11518 of said code; and issue summary suspension orders or notices of suspension under Section 4311 of the Business and Professions Code; make changes to its regulations without regulatory effect pursuant to Title 1, California Code of Regulations Section 100; and approve waivers pursuant to Section 4076.5(e) are hereby delegated to and conferred upon the executive officer, or, in his or her absence from the office of the board, the acting executive officer.

Note: Authority cited: Section 4005, Business and Professions Code. Reference: Sections 4003, 4076.5 and 4311, Business and Professions Code.
Attachment 9
Travel Medications - 1746.5
Add §1746.5 to Article 5 of Division 17 of Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations as follows:

§1746.5 Pharmacists Furnishing Travel Medications.

(a) A pharmacist furnishing prescription medications not requiring a diagnosis that are recommended by the federal Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) for individuals traveling outside the 50 states and the District of Columbia pursuant to section 4052(a)(10)(A)(3) of the Business and Professions Code (hereafter, “travel medications”) shall follow the requirements of this section.

(b) For purposes of Business and Professions Code section 4052(a)(10)(A)(3), a prescription medications “not requiring a diagnosis” means a prescription medication that is either:

(1) For treatment of a condition that is recognized as both self-diagnosable and recognized as self-treatable by the federal Center for Disease Control and Prevention’s Health Information for International Travel (commonly called the Yellow Book), or

(2) A prophylactic of a condition.

(b) A pharmacist furnishing prescription medications not requiring a diagnosis that are recommended by the CDC for individuals traveling outside the 50 states and the District of Columbia pursuant to section 4052(a)(10) of the Business and Professions Code shall follow the requirements of this section.

(c) Training: A pharmacist who furnishes travel medications shall keep documentation of the following on site and available for inspection by the Board:
(1) Completion of an immunization certification training program that meets the requirements of Business and Professions Code section 4052.8(b)(1).

(12) Completion of an approved travel medicine training program, which must consist of at least 10 20 hours of training and cover each medication related element of the International Society of Travel Medicine's Body of Knowledge for the Practice of Travel Medicine (2012), hereby incorporated by reference.

(23) Completion of the CDC Yellow Fever Vaccine Course, and

(34) Current basic life support certification.

(d) Continuing Education: Pharmacists must complete two hours of ongoing continuing education focused on travel medicine, separate from continuing education in immunizations and vaccines, from an approved provider once every two years.

(e) Prior to furnishing travel medication, a pharmacist shall perform a good faith evaluation of the patient, including evaluation of the patient’s travel history using destination-specific travel criteria. The travel history must include all the information necessary for a risk assessment during pre-travel consultation, as identified in the CDC Yellow Book. An example of an appropriate and comprehensive travel history is available on the Board’s website.

(f) Notifications: The pharmacist shall notify the patient’s primary care provider of any drugs and/or devices furnished to the patient within 30 14 days of the date of dispensing, or enter the appropriate information in a patient record system shared with the primary care provider, as permitted by the primary care provider. If the patient does not have a primary care provider, or is unable to provide contact information for his or her primary care provider, the pharmacist shall provide the patient with a written record of the drugs and/or devices furnished and advise the patient to consult a physician of the patient’s choice.

(g) Documentation: For each travel medication furnished by a pharmacist, a patient medication record shall be maintained and securely stored in physical or electronic manner such that the information required under by title 42, section 300aa-25 of title 42 of the United States Code and title 16, sections 1707.1 and 1717 of the California Code of Regulations is readily retrievable during the pharmacy or facility’s normal operating hours. A pharmacist shall provide the patient with a progress note, which fully documents the patient’s clinical assessment and travel medication plan. An example of an appropriate and comprehensive progress note is available on the Board’s website.

Note: Authority cited: Section 4005, Business and Professions Code. Reference: Sections 4052 and 4052.8, Business and Professions Code.
Attachment 10
Disciplinary Guidelines

§ 1760
Amend Section 1760 to Division 17 of Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations to read as follows:

§ 1760. Disciplinary Guidelines.
In reaching a decision on a disciplinary action under the Administrative Procedure Act (Government Code section 11400 et seq.) the board shall consider the disciplinary guidelines entitled “Disciplinary Guidelines” (Rev. 10/2007 7/2015 10/2015), which are hereby incorporated by reference.

Deviation from these guidelines and orders, including the standard terms of probation, is appropriate where the board, in its sole discretion, determines that the facts of the particular case warrant such a deviation-the presence of mitigating factors; the age of the case; evidentiary problems.

Note: Authority cited: Sections 315, 315.2, 315.4 and 4005, Business and Professions Code; and Section 11400.20, Government Code. Reference: Sections 315, 315.2, 315.4, 4300 - 4313 and 4301, Business and Professions Code; and Sections 11400.20 and 11425.50(e), Government Code.
Attachment 11
Fee Schedule

16 CCR 1749
Title 16. Board of Pharmacy

Amend section 1749 in Article 6 of Division 17 of Title 16 California Code of Regulations to read as follows:

1749. Fee Schedule

The fees for the issuance and renewal of licenses, certificates, and permits, and the penalties to be assessed for failure to renew in accordance with sections 163.5, 4110, 4127.5, 4128.2, 4196, and 4400 of the Business and Professions Code and Pharmacy Law are hereby fixed as follows:

(a) The fee for the issuance of any pharmacy license is five hundred twenty dollars ($520). The fee for the annual renewal of pharmacy license is three hundred twenty-five dollars ($325) six hundred sixty five dollars ($665). The penalty for failure to renew is one hundred fifty dollars ($150).

(b) The fee for the issuance of a temporary license is three hundred twenty-five dollars ($325).

(c) The fee for the issuance of a pharmacy technician license shall be one hundred five dollars ($105) one hundred and forty dollars ($140). The fee for the biennial renewal of a pharmacy technician license shall be one hundred thirty dollars ($130) one hundred forty dollars ($140). The penalty for failure to renew a pharmacy technician license is sixty-five dollars ($65) seventy dollars ($70).

(d) The fee for application and examination as a pharmacist is two hundred sixty dollars ($260).

(e) The fee for regrading an examination is one hundred fifteen dollars ($115).

(f)(1) The fee for the issuance of an original pharmacist license is one hundred ninety-five dollars ($195).

(2) The fee for application of an advanced practice pharmacist license is three hundred dollars ($300). If granted, there is no fee for the initial license issued, which will expire at the same time the pharmacist’s license expires. (**This language is added pursuant to the advanced practice pharmacist rulemaking currently being reviewed by OAL.**)

(g)(1) The fee for the biennial renewal of a pharmacist’s license is one hundred ninety-five dollars ($195) three hundred sixty dollars ($360). The penalty fee for failure to renew is ninety-seven dollars fifty cents ($97.50) one hundred fifty dollars ($150).

(2) The fee for the biennial renewal of an advanced practice pharmacist license is three hundred dollars ($300). The penalty fee for failure to renew is one hundred fifty dollars ($150). The fees in this paragraph are in addition to the fees required to renew the pharmacist’s license as specified in paragraph 1.

(h) The fee for the issuance or renewal of a wholesaler’s license or third-party logistics provider is seven hundred eighty dollars ($780). The penalty for failure to renew is one hundred fifty dollars ($150).

(i) The fee for the issuance or renewal of a hypodermic license is one hundred sixty five dollars ($165) one hundred seventy dollars ($170). The fee for the annual renewal of
a hypodermic needle license is two hundred dollars ($200). The penalty for failure to renew is eighty-two dollars fifty cents ($82.50) one hundred dollars ($100).

(j) The fee for the issuance of a license as a designated representative pursuant to Section 4053 of the Business and Professions Code or designated representative-3PL pursuant to Section 4053.1 shall be three hundred thirty dollars ($330) is one hundred fifty dollars ($150). The fee for the annual renewal of a license as a designated representative, or designated representative-3PL shall be one hundred ninety-five dollars ($195) two hundred and fifteen dollars ($215). The penalty for failure to renew is ninety-seven dollars and fifty cents ($97.50) one hundred seven dollars and fifty cents ($107.50).

(k) The fee for the issuance application or renewal of a license as a nonresident wholesaler or nonresident third-party logistics provider is seven hundred eighty dollars ($780). The penalty for failure to renew is one hundred fifty dollars ($150). The fee for a temporary license is seven hundred fifteen dollars ($715).

(l) The fee for an intern pharmacist license is one hundred fifteen dollars ($115) one hundred sixty-five dollars ($165). The fee for transfer of intern hours or verification of licensure to another state is thirty dollars ($30).

(m) The fee for the reissuance of any permit, license, or certificate, or renewal thereof, which must be reissued because of change in the information, other than name change, is one hundred dollars ($100).

(n) The fee for the reissuance of any license that has been lost or destroyed or reissued due to a name change is forty-five dollars ($45).

(o) The fee for evaluation of continuing education courses for accreditation is forty dollars ($40) for each hour of accreditation requested.

(p) The fee for the issuance of a clinic license is five hundred twenty dollars ($520). The fee for the annual renewal of a clinic license is three hundred twenty-five dollars ($325). The penalty for failure to renew is one hundred fifty dollars ($150).

(q) The fee for the issuance of a nongovernmental license, or renewal of a license, to compound sterile drug products is seven hundred eighty dollars ($780) one thousand six hundred forty-five dollars ($1,645). The fee for the annual renewal of a nongovernmental license to compound sterile drug products is one thousand three hundred twenty-five dollars ($1,325). The penalty for failure to renew is one hundred fifty dollars ($150). The fee for a temporary license is five hundred fifty dollars ($550).

(r) The fee for the issuance of a nonresident sterile compounding pharmacy is two thousand three hundred eighty dollars ($2,380). The fee for the annual renewal of nonresident sterile compounding pharmacy license is two thousand two hundred seventy dollars ($2,270). The penalty for failure to renew is one hundred fifty dollars ($150). The fee for a temporary license is five hundred fifty dollars ($550).

(s) The fee for the issuance of a license as a designated representative for a veterinary food-animal drug retailer shall be three hundred thirty dollars ($330) is one hundred fifty dollars ($150). The fee for the annual renewal of a license as a designated representative shall be one hundred and ninety-five dollars ($195) is two hundred fifteen dollars ($215). The penalty for failure to renew is ninety-seven dollars and fifty cents ($97.50) is one hundred seven dollars and fifty cents ($107.50).
The fee for a veterinary food-animal drug retailer license is four hundred twenty-five dollars ($425). The annual renewal fee for a veterinary food-animal drug retailer is three hundred twenty-five dollars ($325). The fee for the issuance of a temporary license is two hundred and fifty dollars ($250). The penalty for failure to renew is one hundred twenty-five dollars ($125). The fee for the issuance of a retired pharmacist license shall be forty-five dollars ($45).

The fee for the issuance of a centralized hospital packaging pharmacy license shall be $800. The annual renewal fee for a centralized hospital packaging pharmacy license shall be $805. The penalty for failure to renew is one hundred fifty dollars ($150).

The fee for the issuance of an outsourcing facility license is two thousand two hundred seventy dollars ($2,270). The annual renewal fee for an outsourcing facility is one thousand three hundred twenty-five dollars ($1,325). The penalty for failure to renew is one hundred fifty dollars ($150).

The fee for the issuance of a nonresident outsourcing facility license is two thousand three hundred eighty dollars ($2,380). The annual renewal fee for a nonresident outsourcing facility is two thousand two hundred seventy dollars ($2,270). The penalty for failure to renew is one hundred fifty dollars ($150).

Note: Authority cited: Sections 163.5 and 4005 and 4400, Business and Professions Code. Reference: Sections 163.5, 4005, 4053, 4053.1, 4110.4-4112(h), 4120, 4127.1, 4127.2, 4128.2, 4129.1, 4129.2, 4160, 4161, 4180, 4190, 4196, 4200, 4202, 4203, 4208, 4210, 4304, 4400, 4401 and 4403, Business and Professions Code.
Attachment 12
Third-Party Logistics Providers

§ 1780 - 1783
Title 16. Board of Pharmacy
Proposed Language

To Amend Article 10 of Division 17 of Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations to read as follows:

Article 10. Wholesalers Dangerous Drug Distributors

To Amend Section 1780 of Article 10 of Division 17 of Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations to read as follows:

1780. Minimum Standards for Wholesalers.
The following minimum standards shall apply to all wholesale and third-party logistics provider establishments for which permits have been issued by the Board:

(a) A wholesaler and a third-party logistics provider shall store dangerous drugs in a secured and lockable area.
(b) All wholesaler and third-party logistics provider premises, fixtures and equipment therein shall be maintained in a clean and orderly condition. Wholesale and third-party logistics provider premises shall be well ventilated, free from rodents and insects, and adequately lighted. Plumbing shall be in good repair. Temperature and humidity monitoring shall be conducted to assure compliance with the United States Pharmacopeia Standards (1990, 22nd Revision) official compendium.
(c) Entry into areas where prescription drugs are held shall be limited to authorized personnel.
(1) All facilities shall be equipped with an alarm system to detect entry after hours.
(2) All facilities shall be equipped with a security system that will provide suitable protection against theft and diversion. When appropriate, the security system shall provide protection against theft or diversion that is facilitated or hidden by tampering with computers or electronic records.
(3) The outside perimeter of the wholesaler premises shall be well-lighted.
(d) All materials must be examined upon receipt and/or before shipment.
(1) Upon receipt, each outside shipping container shall be visually examined for identity and to prevent the acceptance of contaminated prescription drugs or prescription drugs that are otherwise unfit for distribution. This examination shall be adequate to reveal container damage that would suggest possible contamination or other damage to the contents.
(2) Each outgoing shipment shall be carefully inspected for identity of the prescription drug products and to ensure that there is no delivery of prescription drugs that have been damaged in storage or held under improper conditions.
(e) The following procedures must be followed for handling returned, damaged and outdated prescription drugs.
(1) Prescription drugs that are outdated, damaged, deteriorated, misbranded or adulterated shall be placed in a quarantine area and physically separated from other drugs until they are destroyed or returned to their supplier.
(2) Any prescription drugs whose immediate or sealed outer or sealed secondary containers have been opened or used shall be identified as such, and shall be placed in a quarantine area and physically separated from other prescription drugs until they are either destroyed or returned to the supplier.
(3) If the conditions under which a prescription drug has been returned cast doubt on the drug's safety, identity, strength, quality or purity, the drug shall be destroyed or returned to the supplier unless testing or other investigation proves that the drug meets appropriate United States Pharmacopeia Standards (1990, 22nd Revision).
(f) Policies and procedures must be written and made available upon request by the board.
(1) Each wholesaler and third-party logistics provider shall establish, maintain, and adhere to written policies and procedures, which shall be followed for the receipt, security,
storage, inventory and distribution of prescription drugs, including policies and procedures for identifying, recording, and reporting losses or thefts, for correcting all errors and inaccuracies in inventories, and for maintaining records to document proper storage.

(2) The records required by paragraph (1) shall be in accordance with Title 21, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 205.50(g). These records shall be maintained for three years after disposition of the drugs.

(3) Each wholesaler and third-party logistics provider drug distributors shall establish and maintain lists of officers, directors, managers and other persons in charge of wholesale drug distribution, storage and handling, including a description of their duties and a summary of their qualifications.

(4) Each wholesaler and third-party logistics provider shall provide adequate training and experience to assure compliance with licensing requirements by all personnel.

(g) The board shall require an applicant for a licensed premise or for renewal of that license to certify that it meets the requirements of this section at the time of licensure or renewal.

Authority cited: Section 4005, Business and Professions Code. Reference: Sections 4043, 4045, 4051, 4053, 4053.1, 4054, 4059, 4120, 4160, 4161 and 4304, Business and Professions Code; Section 321 of Title 21, U.S. Code; and Section 205.05 of Title 21, Code of Federal Regulations.

To Amend Section 1781 of Article 10 of Division 17 of Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations to read as follows:

1781. Exemption Certificate Designated Representative.
A registered pharmacist, or a designated representative or designated representative –3PL certified in accordance with Section 4053, 4053.1 or 4054 of the Business and Professions Code shall be present and in control of a manufacturer’s, or wholesaler’s or a third-party logistics provider’s licensed premises during the conduct of business.

Authority cited: Section 4005, Business and Professions Code. Reference: Sections 4053, 4053.1 or 4054, Business and Professions Code.

To Amend Section 1782 of Article 10 of Division 17 of Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations to read as follows:

1782. Reporting Sales of Drugs Subject to Abuse.
All manufacturers, and wholesalers and third-party logistics provider shall report to the Board or its designee, up to twelve (12) times a year, all sales of dangerous drugs subject to abuse as designated by the Board for reporting, in excess of amounts to be determined by the Board from time to time. Reports shall be made within thirty (30) days of the request in the form specified by the Board.

Authority cited: Sections 4005 and 4164, Business and Professions Code; and Section 26692, Health and Safety Code. Reference: Sections 4053.1, 4081, 4164, and 4332, Business and Professions Code; and Section 26692, Health and Safety Code.
To Amend Section 1786 of Article 10 of Division 17 of Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations to read as follows:

1783. Manufacturer, or Wholesaler or Third-Party Logistics Provider Furnishing Drugs and Devices.

(a) A manufacturer, or wholesaler or third-party logistics provider shall furnish dangerous drugs or devices only to an authorized person; prior to furnishing dangerous drugs and devices to a person not known to the furnisher, the manufacturer, or wholesaler, or third-party logistics provider shall contact the board or, if the person is licensed or registered by another government entity, that entity, to confirm the recipient is an authorized person.

(b) “Authorized person” means a person to whom the board has issued a permit which enables the permit holder to purchase dangerous drugs or devices for use within the scope of its permit. “Authorized person” also means any person in this state or in another jurisdiction within the United States to the extent such furnishing is authorized by the law of this state, any applicable federal law, and the law of the jurisdiction in which that person is located. The manufacturer, or wholesaler or third-party logistics provider furnishing to such person shall, prior to furnishing the dangerous drugs and devices, establish the intended recipient is legally authorized to receive the dangerous drugs or devices.

(c) Dangerous drugs or devices furnished by a manufacturer, or wholesaler or third-party logistics provider shall be delivered only to the premises listed on the permit; provided that a manufacturer, or wholesaler or third-party logistics provider may furnish drugs to an authorized person or an agent of that person at the premises of the manufacturer, or wholesaler or third-party logistics provider if (1) the identity and authorization of the recipient is properly established and (2) this method of receipt is employed only to meet the immediate needs of a particular patient of the authorized person.

Dangerous drugs or devices may be furnished to a hospital pharmacy receiving area provided that a pharmacist or authorized receiving personnel signs, at the time of delivery, a receipt showing the type and quantity of the dangerous drugs or devices so received. Any discrepancy between the receipt and the type and quantity of dangerous drugs and devices actually received shall be reported to the delivering manufacturer, or wholesaler or third-party logistics provider by the next business day after the delivery to the pharmacy receiving area.

(d) A manufacturer, or wholesaler or third-party logistics provider shall not accept payment for or allow the use of an entity's credit to establish an account for the purchase of dangerous drugs or devices from any person other than: (1) the owner(s) of record, chief executive officer, or chief financial officer listed on the permit for the authorized person; and (2) on an account bearing the name of the permittee.

(e) All records of dangerous drugs or devices furnished by a manufacturer, or wholesaler or third-party logistics provider to an authorized person shall be preserved by the authorized person for at least three years from the date of making and shall, at all times during business hours, be open to inspection by authorized officers of the law at the licensed premises. The manufacturer, or wholesaler or third-party logistics provider shall also maintain all records of dangerous drugs or devices furnished pursuant to this section for at least three years from the date of making and shall, at all times during business hours, keep them open to inspection by authorized officers of the law at the premises from which the dangerous drugs or devices were furnished.

Authority cited: Section 4005, Business and Professions Code. Reference: Sections 4043, 4053.1, 4059, 4059.5, 4080, 4081, 4120, 4160, 4161, 4163 and 4304, Business and Professions Code; and Section 11209, Health and Safety Code.
Attachment 13
Pharmacy Technician

§ 1793.5, 1793.6, 1793.65
Proposal to Amend Title 16 CCR § 1793.5

§ 1793.5. Pharmacy Technician Application.
The “Pharmacy Technician Application” (Form 17A-5 (Rev. 10/15 10/2016)), incorporated by reference herein, required by this section is available from the Board of Pharmacy upon request.

(a) Each application for a pharmacy technician license shall include:
(1) Information sufficient to identify the applicant.
(2) A description of the applicant's qualifications and supporting documentation for those qualifications.
(3) A criminal background check that will require submission of fingerprints in a manner specified by the board and the fee authorized in Penal Code section 11105(e).
(4) A sealed, original Self-Query from the National Practitioner Data Bank (NPDB) dated no earlier than 60 days of the date an application is submitted to the board.

(b) The applicant shall sign the application under penalty of perjury and shall submit it to the Board of Pharmacy.

(c) The board shall notify the applicant within 30 days if an application is deficient; and what is needed to correct the deficiency. Once the application is complete, and upon completion of any investigation conducted pursuant to section 4207 of the Business and Professions Code, the board will notify the applicant within 60 days of a license decision.

(d) Before expiration of a pharmacy technician license, a pharmacy technician must renew that license by payment of the fee specified in subdivision (r) of section 4400 of the Business and Professions Code.

Note: Authority cited: Sections 163.5, 4005, 4007, 4038, 4115, 4202, 4207 and 4400, Business and Professions Code. Reference: Sections 163.5, 4005, 4007, 4038, 4115, 4202, 4207, 4402 and 4400, Business and Professions Code; and Section 11105, Penal Code.
PHARMACY TECHNICIAN APPLICATION

All items of information requested in this application are mandatory. Failure to provide any of the requested information will result in the application being considered incomplete, an incomplete application and a deficiency letter being mailed to you. An applicant for a pharmacy technician license, who fails to complete all the application requirements within 60 days after being notified by the board of deficiencies, may be deemed to have abandoned the application and may be required to file a new application, fee, and meet all the requirements which are in effect at the time of reapplication. Please Read all the application instructions before you complete the application prior to completing this application—Page 1, 2, and 3 of the application must be completed and signed by the applicant. All questions on this application must be answered. If not applicable indicate N/A. Attach additional sheets of paper if necessary.

Military Expedite □ MILITARY (Are you serving in the United States military?) □ VETERAN (Have you ever served in the United States military?) □ ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY-Spouse or Partner (Check here if you meet the requirements for expediting your application.)

Applicant Information - Please Type or Print

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Previous Names (AKA, Maiden Name, Alias, etc):

*Official Mailing/Public Address of Record (Street Address, PO Box #, etc):
City: State: Zip Code:

Residence Address (if different from above):
City: State: Zip Code:

Home#: (     ) Cell#: (     ) Work#: (     ) Email Address:

Date of Birth (Month/Day/Year): **Social Security # or Individual Tax ID #:
Driver’s License No: State:

Mandatory Education (check one box)

Please indicate how you satisfy the mandatory education requirement in Business and Professions Code Section 4202(a).

☐ High school graduate or foreign equivalent.
   Attach an official embossed transcript or notarized copy of your high school transcript, or certificate of proficiency, or foreign secondary school diploma along with a certified translation of the diploma.

☐ Completed a general education development certificate equivalent.
   Attach an official transcript of your test results or certificate of proficiency.

Pharmacy Technician Qualifying Method (check one box)

Please check one of the boxes below indicating how you qualify in order to apply for a pharmacy technician license pursuant to Section 4202(a)(1)(2)(3)(4) of the Business and Professions Code.

☐ Attached Affidavit of Completed Coursework or Graduation for: Associate degree in Pharmacy Technology, Training Course, or Graduate of a school of pharmacy

☐ Attached is a certified copy of PTCB certificate or ExCPT certificate – Date certified: ____________

☐ Attached is a certified copy of your military training DD214

List all state(s) where you hold or held a license as a pharmacist, intern pharmacist and/or pharmacy technician and/or another health care profession license, including California. Attach an additional sheet if necessary.

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Self-Query Report by the National Practitioner Data Bank (NPDB)

☐ Attached is the original sealed envelope containing my Self-Query Report from NPDB. (This must be submitted with your application.)
You must provide a written explanation for all affirmative answers indicated below. Please answer the following questions. Failure to do so may result in this application being deemed incomplete and being withdrawn.

1. Do you have a mental illness or physical illness that in any way impairs or limits your ability to practice your profession with reasonable skill and safety without exposing others to significant health or safety risks? If “yes,” attach a statement of explanation. If “no,” proceed to #2.
   - Yes ☐ No ☐
   
   Are the limitations caused by your mental illness or physical illness reduced or improved because you receive ongoing treatment or participate in a monitoring program? Yes ☐ No ☐
   
   If “yes,” attach a statement of explanation.
   
   If you do receive ongoing treatment or participate in a monitoring program, the board will make an individualized assessment of the nature, the severity and the duration of the risks associated with an ongoing mental illness or physical illness to determine whether an unrestricted license should be issued, whether conditions should be imposed, or whether you are not eligible for license.

2. Have you previously engaged in the illegal use of controlled substances?
   - Yes ☐ No ☐
   
   If “yes,” are you currently participating in a supervised substance abuse program or professional assistance program which monitors you in order to assure that you are not engaging in the illegal use of controlled dangerous substances? Yes ☐ No ☐
   
   Attach a statement of explanation.

3. Do you currently participate in a substance abuse program or have previously participated in a substance abuse program in the past five years?
   - Yes ☐ No ☐
   
   If “yes,” are you currently participating in a supervised substance abuse program or professional assistance program which monitors you to ensure you are maintaining sobriety? Yes ☐ No ☐
   
   Attach a statement of explanation.

4. Has disciplinary action ever been taken against your designated representative, pharmacist, intern pharmacist and/or pharmacy technician license in this state or any other state? If “yes,” attach a statement of explanation to include circumstances, type of action, date of action and type of license, registration or permit involved.
   - Yes ☐ No ☐
   
5. Have you ever had an application for a designated representative, pharmacist, intern pharmacist and/or pharmacy technician license denied in this state or any other state? If “yes,” attach a statement of explanation to include circumstances, type of action, date of action and type of license, registration or permit involved.
   - Yes ☐ No ☐
   
6. Have you ever had a pharmacy license, or any professional or vocational license or registration denied, suspended, revoked, placed on probation or had other disciplinary action taken by this or any other government authority in California or any other state? If “yes,” provide the name of company, type of permit, type of action, year of action and state.
   - Yes ☐ No ☐
7. Are you currently or have you previously been listed as a corporate officer, partner, owner, manager, member, administrator or medical director on a permit to conduct a pharmacy, wholesaler, medical device retailer or any other entity licensed in this state or any other state? If "yes," provide company name, type of permit, permit number and state where licensed.

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8. Have you ever been convicted of, or pleaded guilty or nolo contendere/no contest to, any crime, in any state, the United States or its territories, a military court, or any foreign country? Include any felony or misdemeanor offense, and any infraction involving drugs or alcohol with a fine of $500 or more. You must disclose a conviction even if it was: (1) later dismissed or expunged pursuant to Penal Code section 1203.4 et seq., or an equivalent release from penalties and disabilities provision from a non-California jurisdiction, or (2) later dismissed or expunged pursuant to Penal Code section 1210 et seq., or an equivalent post-conviction drug treatment diversion dismissal provision from a non-California jurisdiction. Failure to answer truthfully and completely may result in the denial of your application.

NOTE: You may answer “NO” regarding, and need not disclose, any of the following: (1) criminal matters adjudicated in juvenile court; (2) criminal charges dismissed or expunged pursuant to Penal Code section 1000.4 or an equivalent deferred entry of judgment provision from a non-California jurisdiction; (3) convictions more than two years old on the date you submit your application for violations of California Health and Safety Code section 11357, subdivisions (b), (c), (d), or (e), or California Health and Safety Code section 11360, subdivision (b); and (4) infractions or traffic violations with a fine of less than $500 that do not involve drugs or alcohol.

You may wish to provide the following information in order to assist in the processing of your application: descriptive explanation of the circumstances surrounding the conviction (i.e. dates and location of incident and all circumstances surrounding the incident). If documents were purged by the arresting agency and/or court, a letter of explanation from these agencies is required.

You may wish to provide the following information in order to assist in the processing of your application: 1) certified copies of the arresting agency report; 2) certified copies of the court documents; 3) and a descriptive explanation of the circumstances surrounding the conviction (i.e. dates and location of incident and all circumstances surrounding the incident.) If documents were purged by the arresting agency and/or court, a letter of explanation from these agencies is required.

Failure to disclose a disciplinary action or conviction may result in the license being denied or revoked for falsifying the application. Attach additional sheets if necessary.

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You must provide a written explanation for all affirmative answers. Failure to do so will result in this application being deemed incomplete. Falsification of the information on this application may constitute ground for denial or revocation of the license.

All items of information requested in this application are mandatory. Failure to provide any of the requested information may result in the application being rejected as incomplete.

Collection and Use of Personal Information. The California State Board of Pharmacy of the Department of Consumer Affairs collects the personal information requested on this form as authorized by Business and Professions Code sections 4200 and 4202 and Title 16 California Code of Regulations section 1793.5 and 1793.6. The California State Board of Pharmacy uses this information principally to identify and evaluate applicants for licensure, issue and renew licenses, and enforce licensing standards set by law and regulation.

Mandatory Submission. Submission of the requested information is mandatory. The California State Board of Pharmacy cannot consider your application for licensure or renewal unless you provide all of the requested information.

Access to Personal Information. You may review the records maintained by the California State Board of Pharmacy that contain your personal information, as permitted by the Information Practices Act. The official responsible for maintaining records is the Executive Officer at the board’s address listed on the application. Each individual has the right to review the files or records maintained by the board, unless confidential and exempt by law Civil Code Section 1798.40.

Possible Disclosure of Personal Information. We make every effort to protect the personal information you provide us. The information you provide, however, may be disclosed in the following circumstances:

- In response to a Public Act request (Government Code section 6250 and following), as allowed by the Information Practices Act (Civil Code section 1798 and following);
- To another government agency as required or permitted by state or federal law; or
- In response to a court or administrative order, a subpoena, or a search warrant.

Once you are licensed with the board, the address of record you enter on this application is considered public information pursuant to the Information Practices Act (Civil Code section 1798 et seq.) and the Public Records Act (Government Code section 6250 et seq.) and will be placed available on the Internet. This is where the board will mail all official correspondence. If you do not wish your residence address to be available to the public, you may provide a post office box number or a personal mail box (PMB). However, if your address of record is not your residence address, you must also provide your residence address to the board, in which case your residence will not be available to the public.

**Disclosure of your U.S. social security account number or individual taxpayer identification number is mandatory. Section 30 of the Business and Professions Code, Section 17520 of the Family Code, and Public Law 94-455 (42 USC § 405(c)(2)(C)) authorize collection of your social security account number. Your social security account number will be used exclusively for tax enforcement purposes, for purposes of compliance with any judgment or order for child or family support in accordance with section 17520 of the Family Law Code, or for verification of license or examination status by a licensing or examination entity which utilizes a national examination and where licensure is reciprocal with the requesting state. If you fail to disclose your social security account number, your application will not be processed and you may be reported to the Franchise Tax Board, which may assess a $100 penalty against you.

MANDATORY REPORTER

Under California law, each person licensed by the California State Board of Pharmacy is a “mandated reporter” for both child and elder abuse or neglect purposes laws.

California Penal Code Section 11166 and Welfare and Institutions Code Section 15630 require that all mandated reporters make a report to an agency specified in Penal Code Section 11165.9 and Welfare and Institutions Code Section 15630(b)(1) [generally law enforcement, state and/or county adult protective services agencies, etc.] whenever the mandated reporter, in his or her professional capacity or within the scope of his or her employment, has knowledge of or observes a child, elder and/or dependent adult whom the mandated reporter knows or reasonably suspects has been the victim of child abuse or elder abuse or neglect. The mandated reporter must contact by telephone immediately or as soon as possible, to make a report to the appropriate agency(ies) as soon as practicably possible. The mandated reporter must prepare and send a written report thereof within two working days or 36 hours of receiving the information concerning the incident.

Failure to comply with the requirements of Section 11166 and Section 15630 of the laws above is a misdemeanor, punishable by up to six months in a county jail, by a fine of one thousand dollars ($1,000), or by both that imprisonment and fine. For further details about these requirements, consult refer to Penal code section 11164 and Welfare and Institutions Code section 15630, and subsequent following sections.

APPLICANT AFFIDAVIT

(must be signed and dated by the applicant)

I, ________________________________ (Print full Legal Name), hereby attest to the fact that I am the applicant whose signature appears below. I hereby certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California to the truth and accuracy of all statements, answers and representations made in this application, including all supplementary statements. I understand that my application may be denied, or any license disciplined, for fraud or misrepresentation.

Original Signature of Applicant (signed and dated by the applicant within 60 days of filing the application) ___________________________ Date ___________
AFFIDAVIT OF COMPLETED COURSEWORK OR GRADUATION
FOR PHARMACY TECHNICIAN

Instructions: This form must be completed by the university, college, school, or pharmacist (The person who must complete this form will depend on how the applicant is qualifying). All dates must include the month, day, and year in order for the form to be accepted.

This is to certify that ___________________________________________ has

☐ Completed a pharmacy technician training program accredited by the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists as specified in Title 16 California Code of Regulations Section 1793.6(a) on _______/_____/______

   (completion date must be included)

☐ Completed 240 hours of instruction as specified in Title 16 California Code of Regulations Section 1793.6(c) on _______/_____/______

   (completion date must be included)

☐ Completed an Associate Degree in Pharmacy Technology and was conferred on her/him on _______/_____/______

   (graduation date must be included)

☐ Graduated from a school of pharmacy accredited by the American Council on Pharmaceutical Education (ACPE). The degree of Bachelor of Science in Pharmacy or the degree of PharmD was conferred on her/him on _______/_____/______

   (graduation date must be included)

I hereby certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California to the truth and accuracy of the above:

Signed: ____________________________ Title: ____________________________ Date: __________ / __________ / __________

Affix school seal here.

University, College, or School of Pharmacy Name: ____________________________________________________________

Address: ____________________________________________________________

Print Name of Director, Registrar, or Pharmacist: ____________________________________________________________

Phone Number: ____________________________________________________________

Email: ____________________________________________________________

OR

Attach a business card of the pharmacist who provided the training pursuant to Section 1793.6(c) of the California Code of Regulation here. The pharmacist’s license number shall be listed.
1793.6. Training Courses Specified by the Board.

A course of training that meets the requirements of Business and Professions Code section 4202 (a)(2) is:
(a) Any pharmacy technician training program accredited by the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists,
(b) Any pharmacy technician training program provided by a branch of the federal armed services for which the applicant possesses a certificate of completion, or
(c) (1) Any other course that provides a training period of at least 240 hours of instruction covering at least the following:

- (1 A) Knowledge and understanding of different pharmacy practice settings.
- (1 B) Knowledge and understanding of the duties and responsibilities of a pharmacy technician in relationship to other pharmacy personnel and knowledge of standards and ethics, laws and regulations governing the practice of pharmacy.
- (1 C) Knowledge and ability to identify and employ pharmaceutical and medical terms, abbreviations and symbols commonly used in prescribing, dispensing and record keeping of medications.
- (1 D) Knowledge of and the ability to carry out calculations required for common dosage determination, employing both the metric and apothecary systems.
- (1 E) Knowledge and understanding of the identification of drugs, drug dosages, routes of administration, dosage forms and storage requirements.
- (1 F) Knowledge of and ability to perform the manipulative and record-keeping functions involved in and related to dispensing prescriptions.

(2) In addition to the content of coursework specified in subdivision (c)(1), the course of training must also satisfy all of the following:

- (A) Prior to admission to the course of training, an administrator or instructor must conduct a criminal background check and counsel applicants to the program about the negative impact to securing licensure if the background check reveals criminal history.
- (B) Administer at least one drug screening to evaluate use of illicit drugs or use of drugs without a prescription. The results of any screen shall be considered as part of the evaluation criteria to determine acceptance into the course of training or appropriateness for continuation in the course of training. An administrator or instructor shall counsel students about the negative impact of a positive drug screen on eligibility for licensure.
- (C) Require students to be at least 18 years of age prior to the beginning of instruction.
(D) Require a final examination that demonstrates students’ understanding and ability to perform or apply each subject area identified in subsection (1) above.

Proposal to Add Section 1793.65

1793.65 Pharmacy Technician Certification Programs Approved by the Board.

a. Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 4202(a)(4), the board approves the following pharmacy technician certification programs until January 1, 2021:

1. Pharmacy Technician Certification Board, and
2. National Healthcareer Association’s Examination for the Certification of Pharmacy Technicians Program.

b. Approval of these programs is valid through December 31, 2020.

Attachment 14
Compounding
Self-Assessment
§ 1735.2
1735.2. Compounding Limitations and Requirements; Self-Assessment.

(k) Prior to allowing any drug product preparation to be compounded in a pharmacy, the pharmacist-in-charge shall complete a self-assessment for compounding pharmacies developed by the board (Incorporated by reference is “Community Pharmacy & Hospital Outpatient Pharmacy Compounding Self-Assessment” Form 17M-39 Rev. 02/12 12/2016.) as required by Section 1715 of Title 16, Division 17, of the California Code of Regulations. That form contains a first section applicable to all compounding, and a second section applicable to sterile injectable compounding. The first section must be completed by the pharmacist-in-charge before any compounding is performed in the pharmacy. The second section must be completed by the pharmacist-in-charge before any sterile compounding is performed in the pharmacy. The applicable sections of the self-assessment shall subsequently be completed before July 1 of each odd-numbered year, within 30 days of the start date of a new pharmacist-in-charge or change of location, and within 30 days of the issuance of a new pharmacy license. The primary purpose of the self-assessment is to promote compliance through self-examination and education.
Community Pharmacy & Hospital Outpatient Pharmacy Compounding Self-Assessment

The California Code of Regulations section 1735.2 requires the pharmacist-in-charge of each pharmacy licensed under section 4037 or 4029 of the Business and Professions Code that compounds drug preparations to complete a self-assessment of the pharmacy’s compliance with federal and state pharmacy law. The assessment shall be performed before July 1 of every odd-numbered year. The pharmacist-in-charge must also complete a self-assessment within 30 days whenever; (1) a new pharmacy permit has been issued, or (2) there is a change in the pharmacist-in-charge; or (3) there is a change in the licensed location of the pharmacy. The primary purpose of the self-assessment is to promote compliance through self-examination and education.

The self-assessment must be completed in its entirety and may be completed online, printed, readily retrievable and retained in the pharmacy. Do not copy a previous assessment.

Each self-assessment must be kept on file in the pharmacy for three years after it is performed.

Pharmacy Name: ______________________________________________________________________________

Address: ___________________________________________ Phone: ________________________________
Fax:  __________________________________

Ownership: Sole Owner ☐ Partnership ☐ Corporation ☐ LLC ☐ Trust ☐
Non-Licensed Owner ☐ Other (please specify) ☐

License #: ____________ Exp. Date: __________ _____________ Exp. Date: ________
Licensed Sterile Compounding License #: __________________ Expiration: __________________
Accredited by: __________________ From: __________ To: __________
Centralized Hospital Packaging License #: __________________ Exp. Date: __________________
Hours: Weekdays ___________ Sat ___________ Sun. ___________ 24 Hours ___________
PIC: __________________ RPH #: ____________ Exp. Date: __________
Website address (optional): ____________________________________________________________________

PIC
Initials
Pharmacy Staff (pharmacists, intern pharmacists, pharmacy technicians assigned to compounding duties):
(Please use an additional sheet if necessary)

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COMPOUNDING SELF-ASSESSMENT

All references to the California Code of Regulations (CCR) are to Title 16 unless otherwise noted. Please mark the appropriate box for each question. If “NO”, enter an explanation on “CORRECTIVE ACTION OR ACTION PLAN” lines at the end of the section. If more space is needed, you may add additional sheets.

ALL COMPOUNDING Complete Sections 1 through 8.

1. Definitions (CCR 1735 and 1735.1)

Yes No N/A

☐ ☐ ☐ 1.1 The pharmacy compounds as defined in CCR 1735(a).

☐ ☐ ☐ 1.2 Each pharmacist involved with compounding understands the definitions in CCR 1735.1.

2. Compounded Limitations and Requirements (CCR 1735.2)

Yes No N/A

☐ ☐ ☐ 2.1 The pharmacy does not compounded drug preparations prior to receipt of a valid prescription unless under the following conditions as allowed in CCR 1735.2 (b-c) (CCR 1735.2(a)). See sections 2.2 and 2.3

☐ ☐ ☐ 2.2 The pharmacy prepares and stores a limited quantity of a compounded drug preparation in advance of receipt of a patient specific prescription solely in such quantity as is necessary to ensure continuity of care of an identified population as defined in CCR 1735.2(b).

☐ ☐ ☐ 2.3 The pharmacy compounds a reasonable quantity of drug preparation which is furnished to a prescriber for office use upon prescriber order as allowed in CCR 1735.2(c) and under all of the following requirements:

2.3.1 Is ordered by the prescriber or the prescribers’ agent on a purchase order or other documentation received by the pharmacy prior to furnishing that lists the number of patients seen or to be seen in the prescriber’s office for whom the drug is needed or anticipated, and the quantity for each patient sufficient for office administration; (CCR 1735.2[c][1]) AND

2.3.2 Is delivered to the prescriber’s office and signed for by the prescriber or the prescriber’s agent; (CCR 1735.2[c][2]) AND

2.3.3 Is sufficient for administration or application to patients in the prescriber’s office or for distribution of not more than a 120-hour supply for veterinary medical practices; (CCR 1735.2[c][3]) AND

2.3.4 The pharmacist has a credible basis for concluding it is a reasonable quantity for office use considering the intended use of the compounded preparation and the nature of the prescriber’s practice; (CCR 1735.2[c][4]) AND

2.3.5 Is an amount which the pharmacy is capable of compounding in compliance with pharmaceutical standards for integrity, potency, quality and strength of the compounded drug preparation; (CCR 1735.2[c][5]) AND

2.3.6 Does not exceed an amount the pharmacy can reasonably and safely compound. (CCR 1735.2[c][6])

☐ ☐ ☐ 2.4 The pharmacy does NOT compound drug preparations that: (CCR 1735.2[d])

2.4.1 Are classified by the FDA as demonstrably difficult to compound; (CCR 1735.2[d][1])
2.4.2 Appear on an FDA list of drugs that have been withdrawn or removed from the market; (CCR 1735.2[d][2]) or
2.4.3 Are copies or essentially copies of one or more commercially available drug products. (CCR 1735.2[d][3])

Yes No N/A
2.5 The pharmacy does not compound drug preparations until it has prepared a written master formula
document that includes the following elements: (CCR 1735.2[e][1-8])
   2.5.1 Active ingredients used.
   2.5.2 Equipment to be used.
   2.5.3 Beyond use date (BUD).
   2.5.4 Inactive ingredients used.
   2.5.5 Specific and essential compounding steps.
   2.5.6 Quality reviews required at each step.
   2.5.7 Post-compounding process or procedures, if required.
   2.5.8 Instructions for storage and handling.

Yes No N/A
2.6 The master formula for a drug preparation not routinely compounded by the pharmacy
may be recorded on the prescription document itself. (CCR 1735.2[f])

Yes No N/A
2.7 The pharmacists performing or supervising compounding understand they are responsible
for the integrity, potency, quality, and labeled strength of a compounded drug preparation until the
beyond use date indicated on the label, so long as label instructions for storage and handling are followed
after the preparation is dispensed. (CCR 1735.2[g])

Yes No N/A
2.8 All chemicals, bulk drug substances, drug preparations and other components used for drug compounding
are stored and used according to compendia and other applicable requirements to maintain their integrity,
potency, quality and labeled strength. (CCR 1735.2[h])

Yes No N/A
2.9 Every compounded drug preparation is given a beyond use date representing the date or date and time
beyond which the compounded drug preparation should not be used, stored, transported or administered,
and is determined based on the professional judgment of the pharmacist performing or supervising the
compounding. (CCR 1735.2[i])
   2.9.1 For non-sterile compounded drug preparations, the beyond use date does not exceed any of
the following: (CCR 1735.2[i][1][A-F])
      2.9.1.1 The shortest expiration date or beyond use date of any ingredient in the compounded
drug preparation,
      2.9.1.2 The chemical stability of any one ingredient in the compounded drug preparation;
      2.9.1.3 The chemical stability of the combination of all ingredients in the compounded drug
preparation,
      2.9.1.4 180 days for non-aqueous formulations,
      2.9.1.5 14 days for water-containing oral formulations, and
      2.9.1.6 30 days for water-containing topical/dermal and mucosal liquid and semisolid
formulations.
   2.9.2 For sterile compounded drug preparations, the beyond use date does not exceed any of the
following: (CCR 1735.2[i][2][A-D])
      2.9.2.1 The shortest expiration date or beyond use date of any ingredient in the sterile
compounded drug preparation,
      2.9.2.2 The chemical stability of any one ingredient in the sterile compounded drug preparation,
      2.9.2.3 The chemical stability of the combination of all ingredients in the sterile compounded
drug preparation, and
      2.9.2.4 The beyond use date assigned for sterility in CCR 1751.8.
   2.9.3 Extension of a beyond use date is supported by the following: (CCR 1735.2[i][3][A-C])
      2.9.3.1 Method Suitability Test,
      2.9.3.2 Container Closure Integrity Test, and
2.9.3.3 Stability Studies.

2.9.4 The finished drugs or compounded drug preparations tested and studied are compounded using the same identical components or ingredients, specific and essential compounding steps, quality reviews, and packaging as the finished drug or compounded drug preparation. (CCR 1735.2[i][4])

2.9.5 Shorter dating is used if it is deemed appropriate in the professional judgment of the responsible pharmacist. (CCR 1735.2[i][5])

2.10 Self-assessment is completed, as required, prior to compounding a drug preparation. (CCR 1735.2[k])

2.11 Packages of ingredients, both active and inactive, which lack a supplier’s expiration date are subject to the following limitations: (CCR 1735.2[l])

2.11.1 Ingredients are not used for any non-sterile compounded drug preparation more than three years after the date of receipt by the pharmacy.

2.11.2 Ingredients are not used for any sterile compounded drug preparation more than one (1) year after the date of receipt by the pharmacy.

CORRECTIVE ACTION OR ACTION PLAN: ____________________________________________________________________________________________

3. Recordkeeping for Compounded Drug Preparation (CCR 1735.3)

3.1 The pharmacy makes and retains a record for each compounded drug preparation which includes, at least, the following: (CCR 1735.3[a][1-2])

3.1.1 The master formula document.

3.1.2 A compounding log consisting of a single document containing all of the following:

3.1.2.1 The name and strength of the compounded drug preparation.

3.1.2.2 The date the drug preparation was compounded.

3.1.2.3 The identity of the pharmacy personnel who compounded the drug preparation.

3.1.2.4 The identity of the pharmacist reviewing the final drug preparation.

3.1.2.5 The quantity of each component used in compounding the drug preparation.

3.1.2.6 The manufacturer or supplier, expiration date and lot number of each component.

3.1.2.7 The pharmacy assigned reference or lot number for the compounded drug preparation.

3.1.2.8 The beyond use date or beyond use date and time of the final compounded drug preparation.

3.1.2.9 The final quantity or amount of drug preparation compounded.

3.1.2.10 Documentation of quality reviews and required post-compounding process and procedures.

3.2 The pharmacy maintains records of the proper acquisition, storage, and destruction of chemicals, bulk drug substances, components and drug preparations used in compounding. (CCR 1735.3[b])

3.3 Active ingredients are obtained from a supplier registered with the Food and Drug Administration (FDA). All other chemicals, bulk drug substances, and drug components used to compound drug preparations are to be obtained, whenever possible, from FDA-registered suppliers. The pharmacy acquires and retains certificates of purity or analysis, either written in English or translated into English, for chemicals, bulk drug substances, and drug products used in compounding. (CCR 1735.3[c])

3.5 The pharmacy maintains and retains all records required in the pharmacy in a readily retrievable form for at least three years (CCR 1735.3[d]).
4. **Labeling of Compounded Drug Preparation (CCR 1735.4)**

Yes No N/A

- 4.1 Each compounded drug preparation has at least the following affixed to the container on a label prior to dispensing: (CCR 1735.4[a][1-6])
  - 4.1.1 Name of the compounding pharmacy and dispensing pharmacy (if different);
  - 4.1.2 Name (brand or generic) and strength, volume, or weight of each active ingredient. For admixed intravenous (IV) solutions, the IV solution utilized shall be included;
  - 4.1.3 Instructions for storage, handling, and administration. For admixed IV solutions, the rate of infusion shall be included;
  - 4.1.4 The beyond use date for the drug preparation;
  - 4.1.5 The date compounded; and
  - 4.1.6 The lot number or pharmacy reference number.

- 4.2 Any compounded drug preparation dispensed to a patient or readied for dispensing to a patient is labeled with the information required under Business and Professions Code section 4076 and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 1707.5. (CCR 1735.4[b])

- 4.3 Any compounded drug preparation dispensed to a patient or readied for dispensing to a patient also includes, on the container label or on a receipt provided to the patient, a statement the drug preparation has been compounded by the pharmacy. (CCR 1735.4[c])

- 4.4 Drug preparations compounded into unit-dose containers that are too small or otherwise impractical for full compliance with the requirements of CCR 1735.4(a), (b), and (c) are labeled with at least the name(s) of the active ingredient(s), concentration of strength, volume or weight, pharmacy reference or lot number, and beyond use date. (CCR 1735.4[d])

- 4.5 All hazardous agents bear a special label which states "Chemotherapy - Dispose of Properly" or "Hazardous – Dispose of Properly. (CCR 1735.4[e])

**CORRECTIVE ACTION OR ACTION PLAN:** ____________________________________________________

5. **Compounding Policies and Procedures (CCR 1735.5)**

Yes No N/A

- 5.1 The pharmacy maintains written policies and procedure for compounding which establishes procurement procedures, methodologies for the formulation and compounding of drugs, facilities and equipment cleaning, maintenance, operation, and other standard operating procedures related to compounding. (CCR 1735.5[a])

- 5.2 The policy and procedures are reviewed on an annual basis by the pharmacist-in-charge and are updated whenever changes are implemented. (CCR 1735.5[b])

- 5.3 The policies and procedures include at least the following: (CCR 1735.5[c][1-11])
  - 5.3.1 Procedures for notifying staff assigned to compounding duties of any changes in policies or procedures.
  - 5.3.2 A written plan for recall of a dispensed compounded drug preparation where subsequent information demonstrates the potential for adverse effects with continued use. The plan ensures...
all affected doses can be accounted for during the recall and shall provide steps to identify which patients received the affected lot or compounded drug preparation(s).

5.3.3 Procedures for maintaining, storing, calibrating, cleaning, and disinfecting equipment used in compounding, and for training on these procedures as part of the staff training and competency evaluation process.

5.3.4 Procedures for evaluating, maintaining, certifying, cleaning, and disinfecting the facility (physical plant) used for compounding, and for training on these procedures as part of the staff training and competency evaluation process.

5.3.5 Documentation of the methodology used to validate integrity, potency, quality, and labeled strength of compounded drug preparations. The methodology must be appropriate to compounded drug preparations.

5.3.6 Documentation of the methodology and rationale or reference source used to determine appropriate beyond use dates for compounded drug preparations.

5.3.7 Dates and signatures reflecting all annual reviews of the policies and procedures by the pharmacist-in-charge.

5.3.8 Dates and signatures accompanying any revisions to the policies and procedures approved by the pharmacist-in-charge.

5.3.9 Policies and procedures for storage of compounded drug preparations in the pharmacy and daily documentation of all room, refrigerator, and freezer temperatures within the pharmacy.

5.3.10 Policies and procedures for ensuring appropriate functioning of refrigeration devices, monitoring refrigeration device temperatures, and actions to take regarding any out of range temperature variations within the pharmacy.

5.3.11 Policies and procedures for proper garbing when compounding with hazardous products; including when to utilize double shoe covers.

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6. Compounding Facilities and Equipment (CCR 1735.6)

6.1 The pharmacy maintains written documentation regarding the facilities and equipment necessary for safe and accurate compounding of compounded drug preparations which includes records of certification of facilities or equipment, if applicable. (CCR 1735.6[a])

6.2 All equipment used to compound a drug preparation is stored, used and maintained in accordance with manufacturers’ specifications. (CCR 1735.6[b])

6.3 All equipment used to compound a drug preparation is calibrated prior to use to ensure accuracy. (CCR 1735.6[c])

6.3.1 Documentation of each calibration is recorded in a form which is not alterable and is maintained and retained in the pharmacy.

6.4 When engaged in hazardous drug compounding, the pharmacy maintains written documentation regarding appropriate cleaning of facilities and equipment to prevent cross-contamination with non-hazardous drugs. (CCR 1735.6[d])

6.5 Hazardous drug compounding is completed in an externally vented physically separate room with the following requirements: (CCR 1735.6[e])
6.5.1 Minimum of 30 air changes per hour except that 12 air changes per hour are acceptable for segregated compounding areas with a BSC or CACI when preparations are assigned a BUD of 12 hrs or less or when nonsterile products are compounded; and
6.5.2 Maintained at a negative pressure of 0.01 to 0.03 inches of water column relative to all adjacent spaces (rooms, above ceiling, and corridors); and
6.5.3 Each PEC in the room is externally vented; and
6.5.4 All surfaces within the room are smooth, seamless, impervious, and non-shedding.

☐ ☐ ☐ 6.6 This pharmacy has applied and was granted a waiver by the board for the following physical construction or alteration to a facility or physical environment. (CCR 1735.6[f])

☐ ☐ ☐ 6.6.1 Waiver approved the Board. Please see attached.

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7. Training of Compounding Staff (CCR 1735.7)

Yes No N/A

☐ ☐ ☐ 7.1 The pharmacy maintains documentation demonstrating personnel involved in compounding have the skills and training required to properly and accurately perform their assigned responsibilities and documentation demonstrating all personnel involved in compounding are trained in all aspects of policies and procedures. This training includes, but is not limited to, support personnel (e.g. institutional environmental services, housekeeping), maintenance staff, supervising pharmacists and all others whose jobs are related to the compounding process. (CCR 1735.7[a])

☐ ☐ ☐ 7.2 The pharmacy has developed and maintains an ongoing competency evaluation process for pharmacy personnel involved in compounding and shall maintain documentation of any and all training related to compounding undertaken by pharmacy personnel. (CCR 1735.7[b])

☐ ☐ ☐ 7.3 Pharmacy personnel assigned to compounding duties demonstrate knowledge about processes and procedures used in compounding prior to compounding any drug preparation. (CCR 1735.7[c])

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8. Compounding Quality Assurance (CCR 1735.8)

Yes No N/A

☐ ☐ ☐ 8.1 The pharmacy maintains, as part of its written policies and procedures, a written quality assurance plan to monitor and ensure the integrity, potency, quality and labeled strength of compounded drug preparation. (CCR 1735.8[a])

☐ ☐ ☐ 8.2 The pharmacy’s quality assurance plan includes the written procedures and standards for at least the following:

8.2.1 Verification, monitoring and review of the adequacy of the compounding processes as well as documentation of review of those processes by qualified pharmacy personnel. (CCR 1735.8[b])

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8.2.2 Qualitative and quantitative analysis of compounded drug preparations to ensure integrity, potency, quality and labeled strength, including the frequency of testing. Frequency of routine testing and analysis is done on an annual basis. (CCR 1735.8[c])

8.2.3 Such reports are retained by the pharmacy and collated with the compounding record and master formula document. (CCR 1735.8[c])

8.2.4 Scheduled action in the event any compounded drug preparation is ever discovered to be below minimum standards for integrity, potency, quality or labeled strength. (CCR 1735.8[d])

8.2.5 Response to out-of-range temperature variations within the pharmacy and within patient care areas of a hospital where furnished drug is returned for redispensing. (CCR 1735.8[e])

9. Duties of a Pharmacy Issuing a Compounded Drug Recall (B&PC 4126.9)

Yes No N/A

9.1 When the pharmacy issues a recall notice regarding a nonsterile compounded drug product, in addition to any other duties all of the following take place, contact the recipient pharmacy, prescriber, or patient of the recalled drug and the board within 12 hours of the recall notice if both of the following apply: (B&PC 4126.9[a][1-2])

9.1.1 Use of or exposure to the recalled drug may cause serious adverse health consequences or death.

9.1.2 The recalled drug was dispensed, or is intended for use, in this state.

9.2 A recall notice issued pursuant to subdivision (a) is made as follows: (B&PC 4126.9[b][1-3])

9.2.1 If the recalled drug was dispensed directly to the patient, the notice is be made to the patient.

9.2.2 If the recalled drug was dispensed directly to the prescriber, the notice is be made to the prescriber, who shall ensure the patient is notified.

9.2.3 If the recalled drug was dispensed directly to a pharmacy, the notice is be made to the pharmacy, which shall notify the prescriber or patient, as appropriate. If the pharmacy notifies the prescriber, the prescriber ensures the patient is notified.

9.3 If the pharmacy has been advised that a patient has been harmed by using a nonsterile compounded product potentially attributable to the pharmacy reports the event to MedWatch within 72 hours of the pharmacy being advised. (B&PC 4126.9[c])

COMPOUNDING STERILE DRUGS

Does the pharmacy compound sterile drug preparation? (B&PC 4127)

Yes No N/A

10. Compounding Drug for Other Pharmacy for Parenteral Therapy

Yes No N/A

10.1 Any pharmacy that contracts to compound a drug for parenteral therapy, pursuant to a prescription, for delivery to another pharmacy shall report that contractual arrangement to the board. (B&PC 4123)

10.1.1 The contractual arrangement is reported to the board within 30 days of commencing that compounding.
11. Compounding Sterile from Nonsterile Ingredients; Requirements

Yes No N/A

11.1 The pharmacy compounds sterile preparations from one or more nonsterile ingredients in one of the following environments: (B&PC 4127.7)
   11.1.1 An ISO Class 5 laminar airflow hood within an ISO Class 7 cleanroom. (B&PC 4127.7[a])
   11.1.2 An ISO Class 5 cleanroom. (B&PC 4127.7[b])
   11.1.3 A barrier isolator that provides an ISO Class 5 environment for compounding. (B&PC 4127.7[c])

12. Sterile Compounding; Compounding Area (CCR 1751)

Yes No N/A

12.1 The pharmacy conforms to the parameters and requirements stated by Article 4.5 (Section 1735 et seq.), applicable to all compounding, and shall also conform to the parameters and requirements stated by this Article 7 (Section 1751 et seq.), applicable solely to sterile compounding. (CCR 1751[a])

Yes No N/A

12.2 The pharmacy has a compounding area designated for the preparation of sterile drug preparations in a restricted location where traffic has no impact on the performance of the Primary Engineering Control(s) (PEC). (CCR 1751[b])
   12.2.1 The cleanroom, including the walls, ceilings, and floors, are constructed in accordance with Section 1250.4 of Title 24, Part 2, Chapter 12, of the California Code of Regulations.
   12.2.2 The pharmacy is ventilated in a manner in accordance with Section 505.5 of Title 24, Part 4, Chapter 5 of the California Code of Regulations.
   12.2.3 The environments within the pharmacy meet at least the following standards: (CCR 1751[b])
      12.2.3.1 Each ISO environment is certified at least every six months by a qualified technician in accordance with Section 1751.4.
      12.2.3.2 Certification records must be retained in the pharmacy.
      12.2.3.3 Items related to the compounding of sterile drug preparations within the compounding area are stored in such a way as to maintain the integrity of an aseptic environment.
      12.2.3.4 A sink is included in accordance with Section 1250.4 of Title 24, Part 2, Chapter 12, of the California Code of Regulations. Sinks and drains are not present in any ISO Class 7 or better cleanroom, nor in a segregated sterile compounding area within three feet of an ISO Class 5 or better PEC, with the exception of emergency eye-rinsing stations. A sink may be located in an ante-area.
      12.2.3.5 There is a refrigerator and where appropriate, a freezer, of sufficient capacity to meet the storage requirements for all material requiring refrigeration or freezing, and a backup plan is in place to ensure continuity of available compounded drug preparations in the event of a power outage.

13. Sterile Compounding; Compounding Area (CCR 1250.4, 505.5 and 505.5.1)

TITLE 24, PART 2, CHAPTER 12, REGULATIONS

Yes No N/A

13.1 The pharmacy has designated area for the preparation of sterile products for dispensing which meets at least the following: (24 CCR 1250.4)
   13.1.1 In accordance with Federal Standard 209(b), Clean Room and Work Station Requirements, Controlled Environment, as approved by the Commission, Federal Supply Service, General Services Administration meet standards for class 100 HEPA (high efficiency particulate air) filtered air such as laminar air flow hood or clean room. (24 CCR 1250.4[1])
13.1.2 Has non-porous and cleanable surfaces, walls, floors, ceilings and floor coverings. (24 CCR 1250.4[2])

13.1.3 The pharmacy is arranged in such a manner that the laminar-flow hood (PEC) is located in an area which is exposed to minimal traffic flow, and is separate from any area used for bulk storage of items not related to the compounding of parenteral preparations. There is sufficient space, well separated from the laminar-flow hood area, for the storage of bulk materials, equipment and waste materials. (24 CCR 1250.4[3])

13.1.4 A sink with hot and cold running water is within the parenteral preparation compounding area or adjacent to it. (24 CCR 1250.4[4])

13.1.5 The pharmacy compounding sterile injectable preparations from one or more nonsterile ingredients, compounds the preparations in one of the following environments: (24 CCR 1250.4[5])

13.1.5.1 An ISO Class 5 laminar airflow hood within an ISO Class 7 cleanroom. The cleanroom must have a positive air pressure differential relative to adjacent areas.

13.1.5.2 An ISO Class 5 cleanroom.

13.1.5.3 A barrier isolator that provides an ISO Class 5 environment for compounding.

Yes No N/A

13.2 The pharmacy has a designated area for the compounding of sterile preparations for dispensing which shall: (24 CCR 505.5)

13.2.1 Be ventilated in a manner not interfering with laminar air flow.

Yes No N/A

13.3 Pharmacies preparing parenteral cytotoxic agents, all compounding is conducted within a certified Class II Type A or Class II Type B vertical laminar air flow hood with bag in-bag out design. The pharmacy ensures that contaminated air plenums under positive air pressure are leak tight. (24 CCR 505.5.1)

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14. Sterile Compounding Recordkeeping Requirements. (CCR 1751.1)

Yes No N/A

14.1 In addition to the records required by section 1735.3 the pharmacy maintains at least the following records, which are in a readily retrievable, within the pharmacy: (CCR 1751.1[a][1-11])

14.1.1 Documents evidencing training and competency evaluations of employees in sterile drug preparation policies and procedures.

14.1.2 Results of hand hygiene and garbing assessments with integrated gloved fingertip testing.

14.1.3 Results of assessments of personnel for aseptic techniques including results of media-fill tests and gloved fingertip testing performed in association with media-fill tests.

14.1.4 Results of viable air and surface sampling.

14.1.5 Video of smoke studies in all ISO certified spaces.

14.1.6 Documents indicating daily documentation of room, refrigerator, and freezer temperatures appropriate for sterile compounded drug preparations consistent with the temperatures listed in section 1735.1 for:

14.1.6.1 Controlled room temperature.

14.1.6.2 Controlled cold temperature.
14.1.6.3 Controlled freezer temperature.
14.1.7 Certification(s) of the sterile compounding environment(s).
14.1.8 Documents indicating daily documentation of air pressure differentials or air velocity measurements between all adjoining ISO rooms or areas, including those associated with compounding aseptic (containment) isolators, and air pressure differentials or air velocity measurements between all rooms or spaces with an immediate entry or opening to ISO rooms or areas.
14.1.9 Other facility quality control records specific to the pharmacy’s policies and procedures (e.g., cleaning logs for facilities and equipment, incubator temperatures).
14.1.10 Logs or other documentation of inspections for expired or recalled chemicals, bulk drug substances, drug products, or other ingredients.
14.1.11 Preparation records including the master formula document, the preparation compounding log, and records of end-product evaluation testing and results.

☐ ☐ ☐ 14.2 The pharmacy compounds for future use pursuant to section 1735.2, and in addition to those records required by section 1735.3, the pharmacy makes and keeps records indicating the name, lot number, and amount of any drug preparation compounded for future use, the date on which any preparation was provided to a prescriber, and the name, address, license type and number of the prescriber. (CCR 1751.1[b])

☐ ☐ ☐ 14.3 The pharmacy maintains and retains all records required by this article in the pharmacy in a readily retrievable form for at least three years from the date the record was created. If only recorded and stored electronically, on magnetic media, or in any other computerized form, the records are maintained as specified by Business and Professions Code section 4070 subsection (c). (CCR 1751.1[c])

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15. Sterile Labeling Requirements (CCR 1751.2)

Yes No N/A

☐ ☐ ☐ 15.1 In addition to the labeling information required under Business and Professions Code section 4076 and California Code of Regulations, title 16, sections 1707.5 and 1735.4, the pharmacy labels each compounded sterile drug preparations with at least the following information: (CCR 1751.2[a-c])

15.1.1 The telephone number of the pharmacy.
15.1.2 Instructions for storage, handling, and administration.
15.1.3 All hazardous agents shall bear a special label which states “Chemotherapy - Dispose of Properly” or “Hazardous – Dispose of Properly.”

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16. Sterile Policies and Procedures (CCR 1751.3)

Yes No N/A
16.1 The pharmacy maintains written policies and procedures for compounding and understands any material failure to follow the pharmacy’s written policies and procedures shall constitute a basis for disciplinary action. CCR 1751.3[a])

16.2 In addition to the elements required by section 1735.5, there are written policies and procedures regarding at least the following: (CCR 1751.3[a][1-24])

16.2.1 Action levels for colony-forming units (CFUs) detected during viable surface sampling, glove fingertip, and viable air sampling and actions to be taken when the levels are exceeded.

16.2.2 Airflow considerations and pressure differential monitoring.

16.2.3 An environmental sampling plan and procedures specific to viable air, surface and gloved fingertip sampling as well as nonviable particle sampling.

16.2.4 Cleaning and maintenance of ISO environments and segregated compounding areas.

16.2.5 Compounded sterile drug preparation stability and beyond use dating.

16.2.6 Compounding, filling, and labeling of sterile drug preparations.

16.2.7 Daily and monthly cleaning and disinfection schedule for the controlled areas and any equipment in the controlled area as specified in section 1751.4.

16.2.8 Depyrogenation of glassware (if applicable)

16.2.9 Facility management including certification and maintenance of controlled environments and related equipment.

16.2.10 For compounding aseptic isolators and compounding aseptic containment isolators, documentation of the manufacturer’s recommended purge time.

16.2.11 Hand hygiene and garbing.

16.2.12 Labeling of the sterile compounded drug preparations based on the intended route of administration and recommended rate of administration.

16.2.13 Methods by which the supervising pharmacist will fulfill his or her responsibility to ensure the quality of compounded drug preparations.

16.2.14 Orientation, training, and competency evaluation of staff in all aspects of the preparation of sterile drug preparations including didactic training and knowledge/competency assessments which include at minimum: hand hygiene and garbing; decontamination (where applicable); cleaning and disinfection of controlled compounding areas; and proper aseptic technique demonstrated through the use of a media-fill test performed by applicable personnel; and aseptic area practices.

16.2.15 Preparing sterile compounded drug preparations from non-sterile components (if applicable). This shall include sterilization method suitability testing for each master formula document.

16.2.16 Procedures for handling, compounding and disposal of hazardous agents. The written policies and procedures shall describe the pharmacy protocols for cleanups and spills in conformity with local health jurisdiction standards.

16.2.17 Procedures for handling, compounding and disposal of infectious materials. The written policies and procedures shall describe the pharmacy protocols for cleanups and spills in conformity with local health jurisdiction standards.

16.2.18 Proper use of equipment and supplies.

16.2.19 Quality assurance program compliant with sections 1711, 1735.8, and 1751.7.

16.2.20 Record keeping requirements.

16.2.21 Temperature monitoring in compounding and controlled storage areas.

16.2.22 The determination and approval by a pharmacist of ingredients and the compounding process for each preparation before compounding begins.

16.2.23 Use of automated compounding devices (if applicable).

16.2.24 Visual inspection and other final quality checks of sterile drug preparations.

16.3 For lot compounding, the pharmacy maintains a written policies and procedures which includes at least the following: (CCR 1751.3[b][1-3])

16.3.1 Use of master formula documents and compounding logs.

16.3.2 Appropriate documentation.

16.3.3 Appropriate sterility and potency testing.
16.4 For non-sterile-to-sterile batch compounding, the pharmacy maintains a written policies and procedures for compounding which included at least the following. (CCR 1751.2[c][1-2])

16.4.1 Process validation for chosen sterilization methods.
16.4.2 End-product evaluation, quantitative, and qualitative testing.

16.5 All personnel involved have read the policies and procedures before compounding sterile drug preparations. All personnel involved have read all additions, revisions, and deletions to the written policies and procedures. Each review is documented by a signature and date. (CCR 1751.3[e])

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17. Facility & Equipment Standards for Sterile Compounding (CCR 1751.4)

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17.1 No sterile drug preparation is compounded if it is known, or reasonably should be known, that the compounding environment fails to meet criteria specified in the pharmacy’s written policies and procedures for the safe compounding of sterile drug preparations (CCR 1751.4[a])

17.2 During the compounding of sterile drug preparations, access to the areas designated for compounding is limited to those individuals who are properly attired (CCR 1751.4[b])

17.3 All equipment used in the areas designated for compounding is made of a material that can be easily cleaned and disinfected. (CCR 1751.4[c])

17.4 Cleaning is done using a germicidal detergent and sterile water. A sporicidal agent is used at least monthly (CCR 1751.4[d][1-4])

17.4.1 All ISO Class 5 surfaces, work table surfaces, carts, counters, and the cleanroom floor are cleaned at least daily. After each cleaning, disinfection using a suitable sterile agent occurs on all ISO Class 5 surfaces, work table surfaces, carts, and counters.

17.4.2 Walls, ceilings, storage shelving, tables, stools, and all other items in the ISO Class 7 or ISO Class 8 environment are cleaned at least monthly.

17.4.3 Cleaning shall also occur after any unanticipated event that could increase the risk of contamination.

17.4.4 All cleaning materials, such as wipers, sponges, and mops, shall be non-shedding and dedicated to use in the cleanroom, or ante-area, and segregated sterile compounding areas and shall not be removed from these areas except for disposal.

17.5 Disinfection, using a suitable sterile agent, occurs on all surfaces in the ISO Class 5 PEC frequently, including: (CCR 1751.4[e])

17.5.1 At the beginning of each shift;
17.5.2 At least every 30 minutes when compounding involving human staff is occurring or before each lot;
17.5.3 After each spill; and
17.5.4 When surface contamination is known or suspected.

17.6 Pharmacies preparing sterile compounded preparations are using a PEC that provides ISO Class 5 air or better air quality (CCR 1751.4[f])

17.6.1 Certification and testing of primary and secondary engineering controls are performed no less than every six months and whenever the device or area designated for compounding is relocated, altered or a service to the facility is performed which would impact the device or area.
17.6.2 Certification is completed by a qualified technician who is familiar with certification methods and procedures in accordance with CETA Certification Guide for Sterile Compounding Facilities (CAG-003-2006-13, Revised May 20, 2015).
17.6.2.1 Certification records are retained for at least 3 years.
17.6.3 Unidirectional compounding aseptic isolators or compounding aseptic containment isolators used outside of an ISO Class 7 cleanroom if the isolators are certified to meet the following criteria:
(CCR 1751.4[f][1-3])
17.6.3.1 Particle counts sampled approximately 6-12 inches upstream of the critical exposure site shall maintain ISO Class 5 levels during compounding operations.
17.6.3.2 Not more than 3520 particles (0.5 um and larger) per cubic meter shall be counted during material transfer, with the particle counter probe located as near to the transfer door as possible without obstructing transfer.
17.6.3.3 Recovery time to achieve ISO Class 5 air quality shall be documented and internal procedures developed to ensure that adequate recovery time is allowed after material transfer before and during compounding operations.
17.6.4 Compounding aseptic isolators that do not meet the requirements as outlined in this subdivision or are not located within an ISO Class 7 cleanroom are only be used to compound preparations that meet the criteria specified in accordance with subdivision (d) of Section 1751.8 of Title 16, Division 17, of the California Code of Regulations.

17.7 Pharmacies preparing sterile hazardous agents shall do so in accordance with Section 505.5.1 of Title 24, Chapter 5, of the California Code of Regulations, requiring a negative pressure PEC.
17.7.1 Additionally, each PEC used to compound hazardous agents shall be externally vented.
17.7.2 The negative pressure PEC is certified every six months by a qualified technician who is familiar with CETA Certification Guide for Sterile Compounding Facilities (CAG-003-2006-13, Revised May 20, 2015).
17.7.3 Any drug preparation compounded in a PEC where hazardous drugs are prepared are labeled as hazardous, regardless of whether the drug ingredients are considered hazardous. (CCR 1751.4[g])
17.7.4 During hazardous drug compounding performed in a compounding aseptic containment isolator, full hand hygiene and garbing occurs. Garbing shall include hair cover, facemask, beard cover (if applicable), polypropylene or low shedding gown that closes in the back, shoe covers, and two pairs of sterile ASTM D6978-05 standard gloves. (CCR 1751.4[g][1])

17.8 If a compounding aseptic isolator is certified by the manufacturer to maintain ISO Class 5 air quality during dynamic operation conditions during compounding as well as during the transfer of ingredients into and out of the compounding aseptic isolator, then it may be placed into a non-ISO classified room. Individuals who use compounding aseptic isolators in this manner must ensure appropriate garbing, which consists of donning sterile gloves over the isolator gloves immediately before non-hazardous compounding. These sterile gloves must be changed by each individual whenever continuous compounding is ceased and before compounding starts again. (CCR 1751.4[h])

17.9 Compounding aseptic isolators and compounding aseptic containment isolators used in the compounding of sterile drug preparations shall use non-turbulent unidirectional air flow patterns. A smoke patterned test shall be used to determine air flow patterns. (CCR 1751.4[i])

17.10 Viable surface sampling is done at least every six months for all sterile-to-sterile compounding and quarterly for all non-sterile-to-sterile compounding. Viable air sampling is be done by volumetric air sampling procedures which test a sufficient volume of air (400 to 1,000 liters) at each location and shall be done at least once every six months. Viable surface and viable air sampling are performed by a qualified individual who is familiar with the methods and procedures for surface testing and air sampling. Viable air sampling is performed under dynamic conditions which simulate actual production. Viable surface
sampling is performed under dynamic conditions of actual compounding. When the environmental monitoring action levels are exceeded, the pharmacy identifies the CFUs at least to the genus level in addition to conducting an investigation pursuant to its policies and procedures. Remediation shall include, at minimum, an immediate investigation of cleaning and compounding operations and facility management. (CCR 1751.4[j])

☐ ☐ ☐ 17.11 The sterile compounding area in the pharmacy has a comfortable and well-lighted working environment, which includes a room temperature of 20-24 degrees Celsius (68-75 degrees Fahrenheit) or cooler to maintain comfortable conditions for compounding personnel when attired in the required compounding garb. (CCR 1751.4[k])

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18. Sterile Compounding Attire (CCR 1751.5)

Yes No N/A ☐ ☐ ☐ 18.1. When compounding sterile drug preparations the following standards are met: (CCR 1751.5[a][1-6])

18.1.1 Personal protective equipment consisting of a low non-shedding coverall gown, head cover, face mask, facial hair covers (if applicable), and shoe covers are worn inside the designated area at all times. For hazardous compounding, double shoe covers are worn.

18.1.2 Personal protective equipment is donned and removed in an ante-area or immediately outside the segregated compounding area.

18.1.3 Personnel dons personal protective equipment in an order that proceeds from those activities considered the dirtiest to those considered the cleanest. The following order is to be followed unless the pharmacy has a procedure in place which documents a method equivalent to or superior to the method described here: The donning of shoe covers or dedicated shoes, head and facial hair covers and face masks shall be followed by the washing of hands and forearms up to the elbows for 30 seconds with soap and water, drying hands, and then the donning of a non-shedding gown.

18.1.4 Compounding personnel does not wear any wrist, hand, finger, or other visible jewelry, piercing, headphones, earbuds, or personal electronic device.

18.1.5 Sterile gloves that have been tested for compatibility with disinfection by isopropyl alcohol are worn. Hand cleansing with a persistently active alcohol-based product followed by the donning of sterile gloves may occur within the ante or cleanroom. Gloves are routinely disinfected with sterile 70 percent isopropyl alcohol before entering or re-entering the PEC and after contact with non-sterile objects. Gloves are routinely inspected for holes, punctures, or tears and replaced immediately if such are detected.

18.1.6 Individuals experiencing exposed rashes, sunburn, weeping sores, conjunctivitis, active respiratory infections or other communicable disease, or those wearing cosmetics, nail polish, or artificial nails are excluded from the ISO Class 5 and ISO Class 7 compounding areas until their conditions are remedied.

☐ ☐ ☐ 18.2. When preparing hazardous agents, appropriate gowns and personal protective equipment are worn regardless of the PECs used (e.g., biological safety cabinet and compounding aseptic containment isolator). (CCR 1751.5[b])

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19. Sterile Compounding Consultation; Training of Sterile Compounding Staff. (CCR 1751.6)

Yes No N/A
☐ ☐ ☐ 19.1 Consultation is available to the patient and/or primary caregiver concerning proper use, storage, handling, and disposal of sterile drug preparations and related supplies furnished by the pharmacy. (CCR 1751.6[a])

☒ ☐ ☐ 19.2 The pharmacist-in-charge ensures all pharmacy personnel engaging in compounding sterile drug preparations have training and demonstrated competence in the safe handling and compounding of sterile drug preparations, including hazardous agents if the pharmacy compounds products with hazardous agents. (CCR 1751.6[b])

☒ ☐ ☐ 19.3 Records of training and demonstrated competence are available for each individual and shall be retained for three years beyond the period of employment (CCR 1751.6[c])

☒ ☐ ☐ 19.4 The pharmacist-in-charge is responsible to ensure the continuing competence of pharmacy personnel engaged in compounding sterile drug preparations (CCR 1751.6[d])

☒ ☐ ☐ 19.5 The pharmacy complies with at least the following training requirements: (CCR 1751.6[e])

19.5.1 The pharmacy establishes and follows a written program of training and performance evaluation designed to ensure each person working in the designated area has the knowledge and skills necessary to perform their assigned tasks properly. This program of training and performance evaluation must address at least the following: (CCR 1751.6[e][1][A-J])

19.5.1.1 Aseptic technique.
19.5.1.2 Pharmaceutical calculations and terminology.
19.5.1.3 Sterile preparation compounding documentation.
19.5.1.4 Quality assurance procedures.
19.5.1.5 Aseptic preparation procedures.
19.5.1.6 Proper hand hygiene, gowing and gloving technique.
19.5.1.7 General conduct in the controlled area (aseptic area practices).
19.5.1.8 Cleaning, sanitizing, and maintaining of the equipment and the controlled area.
19.5.1.9 Sterilization techniques for compounding sterile drug preparations from one or more non-sterile ingredients.
19.5.1.10 Container, equipment, and closure system selection.

19.5.2 Each person engaged in sterile compounding has successfully completed practical skills training in aseptic technique and aseptic area practices using models that are comparable to the most complex manipulations to be performed by the individual. Each pharmacist responsible for, or directly supervising and controlling, aseptic techniques or practices, must demonstrate the skills needed to ensure the sterility of compounded drug preparations. Evaluation must include written testing and a written protocol of periodic routine performance checks involving adherence to aseptic area policies and procedures. Each person’s proficiency and continuing training needs must be reassessed at least every 12 months. Results of these assessments must be documented and retained in the pharmacy for three years. (CCR 1751.6[e][2])

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20. Sterile Compounding Quality Assurance and Process Validation (CCR 1751.7)

Yes No N/A
☐ ☐ ☐ 20.1 There is a written, documented, ongoing quality assurance program maintained by the pharmacy that monitors personnel performance, equipment, and facilities, and the pharmacist-in-charge assures the end-product meets the required specifications by periodic sampling. (CCR 1751.7[a])

20.1.1 The quality assurance program shall include at least the following (CCR 1751.7[a][1-3])

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20.1.1.1 Procedures for cleaning and sanitization of the sterile preparation area.
20.1.1.2 Actions to be taken in the event of a drug recall.
20.1.1.3 Documentation justifying the chosen beyond use dates for compounded sterile drug preparations.

20.2.1 The pharmacy and each individual involved in the compounding of sterile drug preparations successfully demonstrate competency on aseptic technique and aseptic area practices before being allowed to prepare sterile drug preparations. (CCR 1751.7[b][1])

20.2.2 Each individual’s competency is revalidated at least every twelve months for sterile to sterile compounding and at least every six months for individuals compounding sterile preparations from non-sterile ingredients. (CCR 1751.7[b][2])

20.2.3 The pharmacy’s validation process on aseptic technique and aseptic area practices is to be revalidated whenever: (CCR 1751.7[b][3][A-B])
   20.2.3.1 The quality assurance program yields an unacceptable result.
   20.2.3.2 There is any change in the compounding process, the Primary Engineering Control (PEC), or the compounding environment. For purposes of this subsection, a change includes, but is not limited to, when the PEC is moved, repaired or replaced, when the facility is modified in a manner affecting airflow or traffic patterns, or when improper aseptic techniques are observed.

20.2.4 The pharmacy must document the validation and revalidation process (CCR 1751.7[b][4]).

20.3 All sterile compounding personnel have successfully completed an initial competency evaluation. In addition, immediately following the initial hand hygiene and garbing procedure, each individual who may be required to do so in practice has successfully completed a gloved fingertip (all fingers on both hands) sampling procedure (zero colony forming units for both hands) at least three times before initially being quarantined until the end product testing confirms sterility and acceptable levels of pyrogens. Sterility testing is performed per USP chapter 71 and pyrogen testing confirms acceptable levels of pyrogen per USP chapter 85 limits before dispensing. This requirement of end product testing confirming sterility and acceptable levels of pyrogens prior to dispensing applies regardless of any sterility or pyrogen testing that may have been conducted on any ingredient or combination of ingredients which were previously non-sterile. Exempt from pyrogen testing are topical ophthalmic and inhalation preparation. (CCR 1751.7[e][1])

20.5.1 The following non-sterile-to-sterile batch drug preparations do not require end product testing for sterility and pyrogens: (CCR 1751.7[e][2][A-B])
   20.5.1.1 Preparations for self-administered ophthalmic drops in a quantity sufficient for administration to a single patient for 30 days or less pursuant to a prescription.
   20.5.1.2 Preparations for self-administered inhalation in a quantity sufficient for administration to a single patient for 5 days or less pursuant to a prescription.

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21. **Beyond Use Dating for Sterile Compounded Drug Preparations (CCR 1751.8)**

Yes No N/A

21.1 Every sterile compounded drug preparation is given and labeled with a beyond use date in compliance with 1735.2 and does not exceed the shortest expiration date or beyond use date of any ingredient in sterile the compounded drug preparation, nor the chemical stability of any one ingredient in the sterile compounded drug preparation, nor the chemical stability of the combination of all ingredients in the sterile compounded drug preparation, and, in the absence of passing a sterility test in accordance with standards for sterility testing found in Chapter 797 of the United States Pharmacopeia would justify an extended beyond use date, conforms to the following limitations:

21.2 The beyond use date states storage and exposure periods cannot exceed 48 hours at controlled room temperature, 14 days at controlled cold temperature, and 45 days in solid frozen state, where the sterile compounded drug preparation is compounded solely with aseptic manipulations and all of the following apply: (CCR 1751.8[a])

21.2.1 The preparation is compounded entirely within an ISO Class 5 PEC located in an ISO Class 7 cleanroom with an ante-area or compounded entirely within a CAI which meets the requirements in 1751.4(f)(1)-(3), using only sterile ingredients, products, components, and devices; and

21.2.2 The compounding process involves transferring, measuring, and mixing manipulations using not more than three commercially manufactured packages of sterile preparations and not more than two entries into any one sterile container or package of sterile preparations or administration containers/devices to prepare the drug preparation; and

21.2.3 Compounding manipulations are limited to aseptically opening ampules, penetrating disinfected stoppers on vials with sterile needles and syringes or spiked transfer devices, and transferring sterile liquids in sterile syringes to sterile administration devices, package containers of other sterile preparations, and containers for storage dispensing.

21.3 The beyond use date states storage and exposure periods cannot exceed 30 hours at controlled room temperature, 9 days at controlled cold temperature, and 45 days in solid frozen state, where the sterile compounded drug preparation is compounded solely with aseptic manipulations and all of the following apply: (CCR 1751.8[b])

21.3.1 The preparation is compounded entirely within an ISO Class 5 PEC located in an ISO Class 7 cleanroom with an ante-area or compounded entirely within a CAI which meets the requirements in 1751.4(f)(1)-(3), using multiple individual or small doses of sterile preparations combined or pooled to prepare a compounded sterile preparation that will be administered either to multiple patients or to one patient on multiple occasions; and

21.3.2 The compounding process involves complex aseptic manipulations other than the single-volume transfer; and

21.3.3 The compounding process requires unusually long duration such as that required to complete dissolution or homogenous mixing.

21.4 The beyond use date states storage and exposure periods cannot exceed 24 hours at controlled room temperature, 3 days at controlled cold temperature, and 45 days in solid frozen state, where the sterile compounded drug preparation is compounded solely with aseptic manipulations using non-sterile ingredients, regardless of intervening sterilization of that ingredient and the following applies: (CCR 1751.8[c])

21.4.1 The preparation is compounded entirely within an ISO Class 5 PEC located in an ISO Class 7 cleanroom with an ante-area or compounded entirely within a CAI which meets the requirements in 1751.4(f)(1)-(3).
21.5 The beyond use date states storage and exposure periods cannot exceed 12 hours where the sterile compounded drug preparation is compounded solely with aseptic manipulations and all of the following apply: (CCR 1751.8[d])

21.5.1 The preparation was compounded entirely within an ISO Class 5 PEC that is located in a segregated sterile compounding area and restricted to sterile compounding activities, using only sterile ingredients, components, and devices, by personnel properly cleansed and garbed; and

21.5.2 The compounding process involves simple transfer of not more than three commercially manufactured packages of sterile nonhazardous preparations or diagnostic radiopharmaceutical preparations from the manufacturer's original containers; and

21.5.3 The compounding process involves not more than two entries into any one container or package (e.g., bag, vial) of sterile infusion solution or administration container/device.

21.6 Any sterile compounded drug preparation which was compounded either outside of an ISO class 5 PEC or under conditions that do not meet all of the requirements for any of subdivisions (a) through (e), the sterile compounded drug preparation is be labeled “for immediate use only” and administration shall begin no later than one hour following the start of the compounding process.

21.6.1 Unless the “immediate use” preparation is immediately and completely administered by the person who prepared it or immediate and complete administration is witnessed by the preparer, the preparation shall bear a label listing patient identification information, the names and amounts of all ingredients, the name or initials of the person who prepared the compounded sterile preparation, and the exact one-hour beyond use date and time.

21.6.2 If administration has not begun within one hour following the start of the compounding process, the compounded sterile preparation shall be promptly, properly, entirely, and safely discarded.

21.6.3 “Immediate use” preparations are only compounded in those limited situations where there is a need for immediate administration of a sterile preparation compounded outside of an ISO Class 5 environment and where failure to administer could result in loss of life or intense suffering.

21.6.4 Any such compounding shall be only in such quantity as is necessary to meet the immediate need and the circumstance causing the immediate need shall be documented in accordance with policies and procedures. (CCR 1751.8[e])

21.7 The beyond use date for any compounded allergen extracts is the earliest manufacturer expiration date of the individual allergen extracts. (CCR 1751.8[f])

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22. Single-Dose and Multi-Dose Containers; Limitations on Use (CCR 1751.9)

Yes No N/A

22.1 Single-dose ampules are for immediate use only, and once opened are not stored for any time period. (CCR 1751.9[a])

22.2 Unless otherwise specified by the manufacturer, any single-dose container of a compounded sterile drug preparation other than an ampule, such as a bag, bottle, syringe or vial, is used in its entirety or its remaining contents are be labeled with a beyond use date and discarded within the following time limit, depending on the environment: (CCR 1751.9[b])

22.2.1 When needle-punctured in an environment with air quality worse than ISO Class 5, within one (1) hour.
22.2.2 When needle-punctured in an environment with ISO Class 5 or better air quality, within six (6) hours. A container remains within the ISO Class 5 or better air quality to be used for the full six hours, unless otherwise specified by the manufacturer.

22.2.3 If the puncture time is not noted on the container, the container is immediately discarded.

☐ ☐ ☐ 22.3 Unless otherwise specified by the manufacturer, a multi-dose container stored according to the manufacturer’s specifications is used in its entirety or its remaining contents are be labeled with a beyond use date and discarded within twenty eight (28) days from initial opening or puncture. Any multi-dose container not stored according to the manufacturer’s specifications is discarded immediately upon identification of such storage circumstance. If any open container is not labeled with a beyond use date or the beyond use date is not correct, the container is immediately be discarded. (CCR 1751.9[c])

23. Sterile Compounding Reference Materials (CCR 1751.10)

☐ ☐ ☐ 23.1 The pharmacy has current and appropriate reference materials regarding the compounding of sterile drug preparations located in or immediately available to the pharmacy. (CCR 1751.10)

24. Sterile Compounding License Renewal (B&PC 4127.1, 4127.2)

A license to compound sterile drug preparation will not be renewed until the following is met: (B&PC 4127.1, 4127.2)

Yes No N/A

☐ ☐ ☐ 24.1 The pharmacy has been inspected by the board and is in compliance with applicable laws and regulations.

☐ ☐ ☐ 24.2 The board reviews a current copy of the pharmacy’s policies and procedures for sterile compounding.

☐ ☐ ☐ 24.3 The board is provided with copies of all inspection reports conducted of the pharmacy’s premises in the prior 12 months documenting the pharmacy’s operation.

☐ ☐ ☐ 24.4 The board is provided with copies of any reports from a private accrediting agency conducted in the prior 12 months documenting the pharmacy’s operation.

☐ ☐ ☐ 24.5 The board receives a list of all sterile medications compounded by the pharmacy since the last license renewal.

☐ ☐ ☐ 24.6 A nonresident pharmacy has reimbursed the board for all actual and necessary costs incurred by the board in conducting an inspection of the pharmacy at least once annually. (B&PC 4127.2[c])

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25. Duties of a Pharmacy Issuing a Sterile Compounded Drug Recall (B&PC 4127.9)

Yes No N/A

☐ ☐ ☐ 25.1 The pharmacy contacts the recipient pharmacy, prescriber or patient of the recalled drug and the board as soon as possible within 12 hours of the recall notice if both (1) the use of or exposure to the recalled drug preparations may cause serious adverse health consequences or death; and (2) the recalled drug was dispensed or is intended for use in California. (B&PC 4127.9[a] B&PC 4127.1 and 4127.2)
25.2 A recall notice is made to the patient if the recalled drug was dispensed directly to the patient. (B&PC 4127.9[b][1])

Yes No N/A

25.3 A recall notice is made to the prescriber if the recalled drug was dispensed directly to the prescriber. (B&PC 4127.9[b][2])

25.4 A recall notice is made to the recipient pharmacy who shall notify the prescriber or patient if the recalled drug was dispensed thereafter. (B&PC 4127.9[b][3])
PHARMACIST-IN-CHARGE CERTIFICATION:

I, (Please print) _________________________________, RPH # _____________________ hereby certify that I have completed the self-assessment of this pharmacy of which I am the pharmacist-in-charge. Any deficiency identified herein will be corrected. I understand that all responses are subject to verification by the Board of Pharmacy. I further state under penalty of perjury of the laws of the State of California that the information I have provided in this self-assessment form is true and correct.

Signature ______________________________________________________ Date ___________________________

(Pharmacist-in-Charge)

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT BY OWNER OR HOSPITAL ADMINISTRATOR:

I, (please print) _________________________________, hereby certify under penalty of perjury of the laws of the State of California that I have read and reviewed this completed self-assessment. I understand that failure to correct any deficiency identified in this self-assessment could result in the revocation of the pharmacy’s license issued by the California State Board of Pharmacy.

Signature ______________________________________________________ Date ___________________________
Attachment 15
Self-Assessment
Forms
§ 1715 and 1784
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Amend Section 1715 in Article 2 of Division 17 of Title 16 to read:

§ 1715. Self-Assessment of a Pharmacy by the Pharmacist-in-Charge.

(a) The pharmacist-in-charge of each pharmacy as defined under section 4029 or section 4037 of the Business and Professions Code shall complete a self-assessment of the pharmacy’s compliance with federal and state pharmacy law. The assessment shall be performed before July 1 of every odd-numbered year. The primary purpose of the self-assessment is to promote compliance through self-examination and education.

(b) In addition to the self-assessment required in subdivision (a) of this section, the pharmacist-in-charge shall complete a self-assessment within 30 days whenever:

1. A new pharmacy permit has been issued, or
2. There is a change in the pharmacist-in-charge, and he or she becomes the new pharmacist-in-charge of a pharmacy.
3. There is a change in the licensed location of a pharmacy to a new address.

(c) The components of this assessment shall be on Form 17M-13 (Rev. 10/14) (Rev. 10/16) entitled “Community Pharmacy Self-Assessment Hospital Outpatient Pharmacy Self-Assessment” and on Form 17M-14 (Rev. 10/14) (Rev. 10/16) entitled “Hospital Pharmacy Self-Assessment” which are hereby incorporated by reference to evaluate compliance with federal and state laws and regulations.

(d) Each self-assessment shall be kept on file in the pharmacy for three years after it is performed.

Amend Section 1784 in Article 10 of Division 17 of Title 16 to read:

§ 1784. Self-Assessment of a Wholesaler by the Designated Representative-In-Charge.

(a) The designated representative-in-charge of each wholesaler as defined under section 4160 of the Business and Professions Code shall complete a self-assessment of the wholesaler's compliance with federal and state pharmacy law. The assessment shall be performed before July 1 of every odd-numbered year. The primary purpose of the self-assessment is to promote compliance through self-examination and education.

(b) In addition to the self-assessment required in subdivision (a) of this section, the designated representative-in-charge shall complete a self-assessment within 30 days whenever:
   (1) A new wholesaler permit is issued, or
   (2) There is a change in the designated representative-in-charge. The new designated representative-in-charge of a wholesaler is responsible for compliance with this subdivision.
   (3) There is a change in the licensed location of a wholesaler to a new address.

(c) The components of this assessment shall be on Form 17M-26 (Rev. 10/14) (Rev. 10/16) entitled “Wholesaler Dangerous Drugs & Dangerous Devices Self-Assessment” which is hereby incorporated by reference to evaluate compliance with federal and state laws and regulations.

(d) Each self-assessment shall be kept on file in the licensed wholesale premises for three years after it is completed.

(e) The wholesaler is jointly responsible with the designated representative-in-charge for compliance with this section.

COMMUNITY PHARMACY SELF-ASSESSMENT
HOSPITAL OUTPATIENT PHARMACY SELF-ASSESSMENT

Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations section 1715 requires the pharmacist-in-charge of each pharmacy licensed under section 4037 or 4029 of the Business and Professions Code to complete a self-assessment of the pharmacy’s compliance with federal and state pharmacy law. The assessment shall be performed before July 1 of every odd-numbered year. The pharmacist-in-charge must also complete a self-assessment within 30 days whenever: (1) a new pharmacy permit has been issued; (2) there is a change in the pharmacist-in-charge; or (3) there is a change in the licensed location of the pharmacy. The primary purpose of the self-assessment is to promote compliance through self-examination and education.

The self-assessment must be completed in its entirety and may be completed online, printed, readily available and retained in the pharmacy. Do not copy a previous assessment.

Notes: If a hospital pharmacy dispenses prescriptions for outpatient use, this Hospital Outpatient Pharmacy Self-Assessment must be completed in addition to the Hospital Pharmacy Self-Assessment (17M-14 Rev. 10/14 10/16).
Any pharmacy that compounds drug products must also complete the Compounding Self-Assessment (17M-39 Rev. 02/12 10/16).

Each self-assessment must be kept on file in the pharmacy for three years after it is performed.

Pharmacy Name: ______________________________________________________________________________
Address: ___________________________________________ Phone: ________________________________
Ownership: Sole Owner ☐ Partnership ☐ Corporation ☐ LLC ☐ Trust ☐ Non-Licensed Owner ☐ Other (please specify) ☐
Permit License #: ______ Exp. Date: __________ Other Permit #: ____________ Exp. Date: __________
Licensed Sterile Compounding Permit License# ____________ Exp. Date: __________
Accredited by (optional): __________________ From: _____________ To: ______________
DEA Registration #: _______________ Exp. Date: ____________ Date of DEA Inventory: ____________
Hours: Weekdays ____________ Sat _________________ Sun. ________________ 24 Hours ___________
PIC: ___________________________________________ RPH # _______________ Exp. Date: __________
Website address (optional): _____________________________________________________________________

PIC Initials
Pharmacy Staff (pharmacists, intern pharmacists, pharmacy technicians):
Please use an additional sheet if necessary. **APP APH**=Advanced Practice Pharmacist, DEA =Drug Enforcement Administration.

1. __________________________________ RPH # ________________ Exp. Date: _______________
   APP APH # ________________ Exp. Date: _______________
   DEA # ________________ Exp. Date: _______________

2. __________________________________ RPH # ________________ Exp. Date: _______________
   APP APH # ________________ Exp. Date: _______________
   DEA # ________________ Exp. Date: _______________

3. __________________________________ RPH # ________________ Exp. Date: _______________
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11. __________________________________ TCH # ________________ Exp. Date: _______________
COMMUNITY PHARMACY SELF-ASSESSMENT
HOSPITAL OUTPATIENT PHARMACY SELF-ASSESSMENT

All references to the California Code of Regulations (CCR) are to Title 16 unless otherwise noted.

Please mark the appropriate box for each item. If “NO”, enter an explanation on “CORRECTIVE ACTION OR ACTION PLAN” lines at the end of the section. If more space is needed, you may add additional sheets.

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1.1. The pharmacy has an area suitable for confidential patient consultation. (CCR 1764, 1714)

1.2. The pharmacy is secure and only a pharmacist possesses a key. The pharmacy has provisions for effective control against the theft of dangerous drugs and devices. (B&PC 4116, CCR 1714)

1.3. The pharmacy is of sufficient size and has an unobstructed area to accommodate the safe practice of pharmacy. (CCR 1714)

1.4. The pharmacy premises, fixtures, and equipment are maintained in a clean and orderly condition, properly lighted and free from rodents and insects. (CCR 1714)

1.5. The pharmacy sink has hot and cold running water. (CCR 1714)

1.6. The pharmacy has a readily accessible restroom. (CCR 1714)

1.7. Current board-issued “Notice to Consumers” is posted in public view where it can be read by the consumer, or written receipts containing the required information are provided to the consumers. A written receipt that contains the required information on the notice may be provided to consumers as an alternative to posting the notice in the pharmacy. A pharmacy may also provide this information in a video in lieu of the poster. Additional “Notice to Consumers” in languages other than English may also be posted. (B&PC 4122, CCR 1707.2 1707.6)

1.8. Pharmacists, interns, pharmacy technicians, and pharmacy technician trainees wear nametags, in 18-point type, that contain their name and license status. (B&PC 680, B&P 4115.5[e], CCR 1793.7[d]) “Point to Your Language” poster is posted in a place conspicuous to and readable by a prescription drug consumer or adjacent to each counter in a pharmacy where drugs are dispensed. (CCR 1707.6[c])

1.9. Pharmacists, interns, pharmacy technicians, and pharmacy technician trainees wear nametags, in 18-point type, that contain their name and license status. (B&PC 680, B&P 4115.5[e], CCR 1793.7[d])

1.10. The original board-issued pharmacy license and the current renewal are posted where they may be clearly read by the purchasing public. (B&PC 4032, 4058)
1.10 1.11. Does the pharmacy compound sterile drugs? (If yes, complete section 27 – “Compounding.”)

Yes No N/A

1.11 1.12. The pharmacy has procedures in place to take action to protect the public when a licensed individual employed by or with the pharmacy is discovered or known to be chemically, mentally, or physically impaired to the extent it affects his or her ability to practice the profession or occupation authorized by his or her license, or is discovered or known to have engaged in the theft, diversion, or self-use of dangerous drugs. (B&PC 4104[a])

1.13 1.14. The pharmacy has written policies and procedures for addressing chemical, mental, or physical impairment, as well as theft, diversion, or self-use of dangerous drugs, among licensed individual employed by or with the pharmacy. (B&PC 4104[b])

1.14 1.15. The pharmacy reports to the board within 14 days of the receipt or development of the following information with regard to any licensed individual employed by or with the pharmacy: (1) any admission by a licensed individual of chemical, mental, or physical impairment affecting his or her ability to practice; (2) Any admission by a licensed individual of theft, diversion, or self-use of dangerous drugs; (3) Any video or documentary evidence demonstrating chemical, mental, or physical impairment of a licensed individual to the extent it affects his or her ability to practice; (4) Any video or documentary evidence demonstrating theft, diversion, or self-use of dangerous drugs by a licensed individual; (5) Any termination based on chemical, mental, or physical impairment of a licensed individual to the extent it affects his or her ability to practice; (6) Any termination of a licensed individual based on theft, diversion, or self-use of dangerous drugs. (B&PC 4104[c])

1.15 1.16. For a pharmacy whose owner owns two or more pharmacies, the pharmacy receives the board’s e-mail notifications through the owner’s electronic notice system. (B&PC 4013[c])

Date Last Notification Received: ___________________________________

E-mail address registered with the board: ___________________________________

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2. Delivery of Drugs

2.1. Dangerous drugs and dangerous devices are only delivered to the licensed premises, and signed for and received by a pharmacist. (B&PC 4059.5[a], H&SC 11209(a))

2.2. A pharmacy may take delivery of dangerous drugs and dangerous devices when the pharmacy is closed and no pharmacist is on duty if all of the following requirements are met: (B&PC 4059.5[f]):

- 2.2.1. The drugs are placed in a secure storage facility in the same building as the pharmacy (B&PC 4059.5[f][1]);
- 2.2.2. Only the pharmacist-in-charge or a pharmacist designated by the pharmacist-in-charge has access to the secure storage facility after dangerous drugs or dangerous devices have been delivered (B&PC 4059.5[f][2]);
- 2.2.3. The secure storage facility has a means of indicating whether it has been entered after dangerous drugs or dangerous devices have been delivered (B&PC 4059.5[f][3]);
- 2.2.4. The pharmacy maintains written policies and procedures for the delivery of dangerous drugs and dangerous devices to a secure storage facility (B&PC 4059.5[f][4]); and
- 2.2.5. The agent delivering dangerous drugs and dangerous devices pursuant to this subdivision leaves documents indicating the name and amount of each dangerous drug or dangerous device delivered in the secure storage facility. The pharmacy shall be responsible for the dangerous drugs and dangerous devices delivered to the secure storage facility. The pharmacy shall also be responsible for obtaining and maintaining records relating to the delivery of dangerous drugs and dangerous devices to a secure storage facility. (B&PC 4059.5[f][5])

2.3 Prior to, or at the time of, accepting ownership of a product included in the Drug Supply Chain Security Act from an authorized trading partner, the pharmacy is provided transaction history, transaction information, and a transaction statement. (Title II of the DQSA Section 582[d])

2.4 Prior to, or at the time of, each transaction in which the pharmacy transfers ownership of a product included in the Drug Supply Chain Security Act to an authorized trading partner, the subsequent owner is provided transaction history, transaction information, and a transaction statement for the product. This requirement does not apply to sales by a pharmacy to another pharmacy to fulfill a specific patient need. (Title II of the DQSA Section[d][ii])

2.5 The pharmacy captures transaction information (including lot level information, if provided), transaction history, and transaction statements, as necessary to investigate a suspect product, and maintains such information, history, and statements for not less than 6 years after the transaction. (Title II of the DQSA Section 582[d][iii])
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3. **Drug Stock**

Yes No N/A

☐ ☐ ☐ 3.1. The drug stock is clean, orderly, properly stored, properly labeled and in-date. (B&PC 4342, H&SC 111255, 22 CCR 70263[q], CCR 1714[b])

☐ ☐ ☐ 3.2. Dangerous drugs or dangerous devices are purchased, traded, sold or transferred with an entity licensed with the board as a wholesaler or pharmacy, or a manufacturer, and provided the dangerous drugs and devices: (B&PC 4169)

☐ 3.2.1. Are known or reasonably are known to the pharmacy as not being adulterated.

☐ 3.2.2. Are known or reasonably are known to the pharmacy as not being misbranded.

☐ 3.2.3. Are not expired.

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4. **Voluntary Drug Repository and Distribution Program (H&SC 150200)**

Yes No N/A

☐ ☐ ☐ 4.1. Does the pharmacy donate to or operate a county-approved Voluntary Drug Repository and Distribution Program?

(If yes, complete Section 29 [donate drugs] or Section 30 [operate program] of this Self-Assessment.)

5. **Pharmacist-in-Charge (PIC)**

Yes No N/A

☐ ☐ ☐ 5.1. The pharmacy has a PIC that is responsible for the daily operation of the pharmacy. (B&PC 4101, 4113, 4305, 4330, CCR 1709, 1709.1)

☐ ☐ ☐ 5.2. The PIC has adequate authority to assure the pharmacy’s compliance with laws governing the operation of a pharmacy. (B&PC 4113(c), CCR 1709.1[b])

☐ ☐ ☐ 5.3. The PIC has completed a biennial pharmacy self-assessment before July 1 of each odd numbered year. An additional self-assessment will be completed within 30 days if a new permit is issued or a new PIC employed. Each self-assessment will be maintained in the pharmacy for three years. (CCR 1715)

☐ ☐ ☐ 5.4. Is the PIC in charge of another pharmacy?
5.5. If yes, are the pharmacies within 50 driving miles of each other? (CCR 1709.1[c])
   Name of the other pharmacy ______________________________________________________

5.6. Any change of PIC is reported by the pharmacy and the departing PIC to the board in writing within 30 days. (B&PC 4101, 4113)

5.7. Is the PIC serving concurrently as the designated representative-in-charge for a wholesaler or veterinary food-animal retailer? (CCR 1709.1[d])
   ____________________________ If yes, name the wholesaler or veterinary food-animal retailer. ____________________________

5.8. The PIC is responsible for directing and overseeing the performance of waived clinical laboratory tests, if the pharmacy holds a registration from CDPH to conduct such tests. (H&SC 1206, 1265)

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6. Duties of a Pharmacist

6.1. The pharmacist furnishes a reasonable quantity of compounded drug products to a prescriber office for office use by the prescriber; transmits a valid prescription to another pharmacist; administers drugs and biological products ordered by the prescriber; manufactures, measures, fits to the patient or sells and repairs dangerous devices or furnishes instructions to the patient or patient representative concerning the use of the dangerous devices; provides consultation, training and education to patients about drug therapy disease management and disease prevention; provides professional information and participates in multidiscipline review of patient progress; furnishes medication including emergency contraception drug therapy and self-administered hormonal contraceptives, nicotine replacement products, prescription medication not requiring a diagnosis recommended by the Centers for Disease Control when traveling outside of the US; administers immunizations pursuant to a protocol; orders and interprets tests for monitoring and managing efficacy and toxicity of drug therapies. (B&PC 4052)

Only a pharmacist:

- transmits a valid prescription to another pharmacist (B&PC 4052)
- administers drugs and biological products ordered by the prescriber; (B&PC 4052)
- provides consultation, training and education to patients about drug therapy disease management and disease prevention; (B&PC 4052)
- provides professional information and participates in multidiscipline review of patient progress; (B&PC 4052)
- furnishes medication including emergency contraception drug therapy, self-administered hormonal contraceptives, nicotine replacement products, naloxone, prescription medication not requiring a diagnosis recommended by the Centers for Disease Control when traveling outside of the US; administers immunizations pursuant to a protocol; (B&PC 4052 (a)(10), B&PC 4052(a)(11), 4052.01, B&PC 4052.3, B&PC 4052.8, 4052.9)
- responds to end of life option drugs (Health and Safety Code section 443.59 (b)(2))
- orders and interprets tests for monitoring and managing efficacy and toxicity of drug therapies. (B&PC 4052 (a)(12))

6.2. The pharmacist receives a new prescription order from the prescriber, consults with the patient, identifies, evaluates and interprets a prescription, interprets the clinical data in a patient medication record, consults with any prescriber, nurse, health professional or agent thereof, supervises the packaging of drugs, checks the packaging procedure and product upon completion, is responsible for all activities of pharmacy technicians to ensure that all such activities are performed completely, safely and without risk of harm to patients, performs any other duty which federal or state law or regulation authorizes only a registered pharmacist to perform and performs all functions which require professional judgment. (CCR 1707.2, 1793.1, B&PC 4052, 4052.1, 4052.2, 4052.3, 4052.4, 4070(a))

Only a pharmacist:
receives a new prescription order from the prescriber
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(CCR 1707.2, 1793.1, B&PC 4052, 4052.1, 4052.2, 4052.3, 4052.4, 4070(a))

6.3. The pharmacist as part of the care provided by a health care facility, a licensed clinic and a licensed home health agency in which there is physician oversight, or a provider who contracts with a licensed health care service plan with regard to the care or services provided to the enrollees of that health care service plan, is performing the following functions, in accordance with policies, procedures, or protocols of that facility, licensed clinic, or health care service plan that were developed by health professionals, including physicians and surgeons, pharmacists and registered nurses. The functions are: ordering or performing routine drug therapy related patient assessment procedures; ordering drug therapy related laboratory tests; administering drugs or biologicals by injection; initiating and adjusting the drug regimen of a patient; and performing moderate or waived laboratory tests. (B&PC 4052, 4052.1, 4052.2, 4052.3, 4052.4)

6.4. Pharmacists are able to provided access to information on the Internet that is maintained by the California Department of Justice regarding controlled substance history of a patient who is under the care of the pharmacy based on data obtained through the CURES Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP). (H&SC 11165.1)

6.5. The pharmacist dispenses emergency contraceptive pursuant to the statewide protocol found in 16 CCR 1746.

6.6. Only a pharmacist performs blood glucose, hemoglobin A1c, or cholesterol tests that are waived under CLIA. (No CDPH registration required.) (B&PC 1206.6)

6.7. Only a pharmacist performs CLIA waived clinical laboratory tests, where the pharmacy is registered with CDPH to perform such services. (B&PC 1206.6)

CDPH (CLIA) Registration #:_____________________ Expiration: _______________

6.8. The pharmacist who is authorized to issue an order to initiate or adjust a controlled substance therapy is personally registered with the federal Drug Enforcement Administration. (B&PC 4052[b])
7. Duties of an Advance Practice Pharmacist

Yes No N/A

☐ ☐ 7.1. The pharmacist who is authorized to issue an order to initiate or adjust a controlled substance therapy is personally registered with the federal Drug Enforcement Administration. (B&PC 4052[b])

☐ ☐ 7.2 7.1. The advance practice pharmacist has received an advance practice pharmacist recognition license by from the board and may do the following: (B&PC 4016.5, 4210)

☐ ☐ 7.2.1 7.1.1 Perform patient assessments, order and interpret drug therapy-related tests, and refer patients to other health care providers; (B&PC 4052.6[a])

☐ ☐ 7.2.2 7.1.2 Participate in the evaluation and management of diseases and health conditions in collaboration with other health care providers; (B&PC 4052.6[a])

☐ ☐ 7.2.2 7.1.3 Initiate drug therapy and promptly transmit written notification to, or enter the appropriate information into a patient record system shared with the patient’s primary care provider or diagnosing provider; (B&PC 4052.6[b])

☐ ☐ 7.2.2 7.1.4 Adjust or discontinue drug therapy and promptly transmit written notification to the patient’s diagnosing prescriber or enters the appropriate information in a patient’s record system shared with the prescriber; (B&PC 4052.6[b])

☐ ☐ 7.2.2 7.1.5 Prior to initiating or adjusting a controlled substance therapy, the advance practice pharmacist is personally registered with the federal Drug Enforcement Administration; (B&PC 4052.6[d])

☐ ☐ 7.2.2 7.1.6 Ordering of tests is done in coordination with the patient’s primary care provider or diagnosing prescriber, including promptly transmitting written notification to the prescriber or entering information in a patient record system shared with the prescriber. (B&PC 4052.6[e])

8. Duties of an Intern Pharmacist

Yes No N/A

☐ ☐ 8.1. The intern pharmacist may perform all the functions of a pharmacist only under the direct supervision of a pharmacist. A pharmacist may supervise two interns at any one time. (B&PC 4114, 4023.5, CCR 1726)

Yes No N/A

☐ ☐ 8.2. All prescriptions filled or refilled by an intern are, prior to dispensing, checked for accuracy by a licensed pharmacist and the prescription label initialed by the checking pharmacist. (CCR 1717[b][1], CCR 1712)

☐ ☐ 8.3. The intern hours affidavits are signed by the pharmacist under whom the experience was earned, when applicable. (B&PC 4209, CCR 1726)

☐ ☐ 8.4. During a temporary absence of a pharmacist or duty free breaks or meal periods, an intern pharmacist may not perform any discretionary duties nor act as a pharmacist. (CCR 1714.1[d])
9. Duties of a Pharmacy Technician

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9.1. Registered pharmacy technicians are performing only perform packaging, manipulative, repetitive, or other nondiscretionary tasks, while assisting and under the direct supervision and control of a pharmacist. (B&PC 4023.5, 4038, 4115, CCR 1793, 1793.2, 1793.7)

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9.2. Pharmacy technician ratio when only one pharmacist is present, is no more than one technician. For each additional pharmacist present, the ratio may not exceed 2 technicians for each additional pharmacist. (B&PC 4038, 4115, CCR 1793.7[f])

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9.3. A pharmacy technician or pharmacy technician trainee wears identification, in 18-point type, that identifies him or herself as a pharmacy technician or pharmacy technician trainee. (B&PC 680, B&PC 4115.5[e], CCR 1793.7[d])

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9.4. The pharmacy has a job description for the pharmacy technician and written policies and procedures to ensure compliance with technician requirements. (CCR 1793.7[e])

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9.5. A pharmacy technician trainee participating in an externship may perform packaging, manipulative, repetitive or other nondiscretionary tasks only under the direct supervision and control of a pharmacist; a pharmacist may only supervise one technician trainee and only for a period of no more than 120 hours. (B&PC 4115.5)

10. Duties of Non-Licensed Personnel

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10.1. A non-licensed person (clerk/typist) is permitted to type a prescription label or otherwise enter prescription information into a computer record system, and—at the direction of a pharmacist—may request and receive refill authorization. (CCR 1793.3)

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10.2. The number of non-licensed personnel supervised by each pharmacist does not interfere with the effective performance of the pharmacist’s responsibilities under the Pharmacy Law. (CCR 1793.3[b])

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11. Consultation/Patient Profile/Review of Drug Therapy

Yes No N/A

☐ ☐ ☐ 11.1. Pharmacists provide oral consultation: (B&PC 4052[a][7], B&P 4052[a][8], CCR 1707.2):

☐ 11.1.1. whenever the prescription drug has not been previously dispensed to the patient;

☐ 11.1.2. whenever a refill prescription drug is dispensed in a different dosage form, strength, or with new written directions;

☐ 11.1.3. upon request; and

☐ 11.1.4. whenever the pharmacist deems it is warranted in the exercise of his or her professional judgment.

☐ 11.1.5. unless a patient declines the consultation directly to the pharmacist.

☐ ☐ ☐ 11.2. The pharmacy maintains patient profile information including allergies, date of birth or age, gender and other prescription and nonprescription drugs that the patient takes. (CCR 1707.1)

☐ ☐ ☐ 11.3. The pharmacist reviews a patient’s drug therapy and medication record prior to consultation. (CCR 1707.3)

☐ ☐ ☐ 11.4. Consultation is performed in a manner that protects the patient’s protected health care information and in an area suitable for confidential patient consultation. (Civil Code 56.10, CCR 1714[a])

☐ ☐ ☐ 11.5. Appropriate drug warnings are provided orally or in writing. (B&PC 4074, CCR 1744)

☐ ☐ ☐ 11.6. If prescription medication is mailed or delivered, written notice about the availability of consultation is provided. (CCR 1707.2[b][2])

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12. Prescription Requirements

Yes No N/A

☐ ☐ ☐ 12.1. Prescriptions are complete with all the required information. (B&PC 4040, 4070)

☐ ☐ ☐ 12.2. Orally transmitted prescriptions are received and reduced to writing only by a pharmacist or intern pharmacist working under the direct supervision of a pharmacist. (B&PC 4070, CCR 1717)

☐ ☐ ☐ 12.3. If a prescription is orally or electronically transmitted by the prescriber’s agent, the pharmacist makes a reasonable attempt to verify that the prescriber’s agent is authorized to do so, and the agent’s name is recorded. (B&PC 4071)

☐ ☐ ☐ 12.4. If orally transmitted, the pharmacist who received the prescription is identified by initializing the prescription, and if dispensed by another pharmacist, the dispensing pharmacist also initials the prescription. (CCR 1717, 1712)
12.5. The security and confidentiality of electronically transmitted prescriptions are maintained. (B&PC 4070[c], CCR 1717.4[h])

12.6. Facsimile prescriptions are received only from a prescriber’s office. (B&PC 4040[c])

12.7. Internet prescriptions for patients (human or animal) in this state are only dispensed or furnished pursuant to a prior good faith examination. (B&PC 4067[a])

12.8. With the exception of those prescriptions written under H&SC 11159.2 and H&SC 11167.5, all written controlled substances prescriptions (Schedules II – V) are on California Security Prescription forms. (H&SC 11164[a], H&SC 11167.5)

12.9. All controlled substance prescriptions are valid for six months and are signed and dated by the prescriber. (H&SC 11164[a][1], 11120[e])

12.10. All controlled substance prescriptions that are e-prescribed conform to provisions of federal law. (21 CFR 1306.08, 1311.100, 1306.11)

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13. Prescription Labeling, Furnishing and Dispensing

Yes No N/A

13.1. The prescription label contains all the required information. (B&PC 4076)

13.2. The prescription label is formatted in accordance with CCR 1707.5.

13.3. If requested by the consumer, the pharmacy provides the consumer with a prescription label that is printed in 12-point typeface. (CCR 1707.5[a])

Yes No N/A

13.4. The label on a drug container dispensed to a patient in California conforms to the following format: (CCR 1707.5[a])

☐ 13.4.1 The name of the patient, name of the drug and strength of the drug, the directions for use of the drug, the condition or purpose for which the drug was prescribed, if indicated on the prescription, are clustered into one area of the label and comprise at least 50 percent of the label.

☐ 13.4.2 The label is highlighted in bold typeface or color or uses blank space to set off the items in 13.4.1; (CCR 1707.5[a][2])

☐ 13.4.3 When applicable, standardized directions for use are utilized. (CCR 1707.5[a][4])
13.5. The pharmacy is exempt from the prescription label requirements in CCR 1707.5. Exemption approved by board from: __________ to __________

13.6. The expiration dates of a drug’s effectiveness are consistent with those of the manufacturer if the information is required on the original manufacturer’s label. (B&PC 4076)

13.7. The trade name or generic name and manufacturer of the prescription drug is accurately identified on the label and prescription record. (B&PC 4076, CCR 1717[b][2])

13.8. Generic substitution is communicated to the patient. (B&PC 4073)

13.9. If the prescription is filled by a pharmacy technician, before dispensing the prescription is checked for accuracy by a licensed pharmacist and that pharmacist initials the prescription label or as otherwise allowed. (B&PC 4115, CCR 1793.7, CCR 1712)

13.10. The federal warning label prohibiting transfer of controlled substances is on the prescription container. (21 CFR 290.5)

13.11. Prescriptions are dispensed in a new and child-resistant container, or senior-adult ease-of-opening tested container, or in a non-complying package only pursuant to the prescriber or when requested by the purchaser. (15 USC 1473[b], 16 CFR 1700.15, CCR 1717)

13.12. Patient package inserts are dispensed with all estrogen medications. (21 CFR 310.515)

13.13. The pharmacy provides patients with Black Box Warning Information in conformance with 21 CFR 201.57[c].

13.14. Medication guides are provided on required medications. (21 CFR 208.1)

13.15. The pharmacy furnishes dangerous drugs in compliance with B&PC 4126.5 only to a patient pursuant to a prescription, a wholesaler from whom the dangerous drugs were purchased, a manufacturer from whom the drugs were purchased, a licensed wholesaler acting as a reverse distributor, another pharmacy to alleviate a temporary shortage with a quantity sufficient to alleviate the temporary shortage, a health care provider authorized to received drugs, or to another pharmacy of common ownership.

13.16. The label includes a physical description of the dispensed medication, including its color, shape, and any identification code that appears on the tablets or capsules. (B&PC 4076)

13.17. Controlled substance prescriptions are not filled or refilled more than six months from the date written. (H&SC 11200)

13.18. Refills for Schedule III and IV controlled substance prescriptions are limited to a maximum of 5 times within 6 months, and all refills taken together do not exceed a 120 day supply. (H&SC 11200)

13.19. The pharmacy dispenses not more than a 90-day supply of a dangerous drug with the following exceptions medications (other than controlled substances, or psychotropic medication or drugs): (B&PC 4064.5)

- Controlled substances
- Psychotropic medications
- Self-administered hormonal contraception

☐ 13.17 20.1 Where the prescription specifies an initial quantity of less than a 90-day supply followed by periodic refills; and where: (B&PC 4064.5[a])

☐ 13.17 20.1.1 The prescriber has not indicated “no change to quantity” or words of similar meaning; (B&PC 4064.5[d])

☐ 13.17 20.1.2. The patient has completed an initial 30-day supply; (B&PC 4064.5[a][1])
  (This is not required where the prescription continues the same medication as previously dispensed in a 90-day supply. B&PC 4064.5[b])

☐ 13.17 20.1.3. The total quantity dispensed does not exceed the total quantity authorized on the prescription, including refills; (B&PC 4064.5[a][2])

☐ 13.17 20.1.4. The prescriber has not specified on the prescription that dispensing the prescription in an initial amount, followed by periodic refills, is medically necessary; and (B&PC 4064.5[a][3])

☐ 13.17 20.1.5. The pharmacist is exercising his or her professional judgment. (B&PC 4064.5[a][4])

☐ 13.17 20.2. The pharmacist notifies the prescriber of the increase in quantity dispensed. (B&PC 4064.5[c])

☐☐☐ 13.18 21. The pharmacist includes a written label on the drug container indicating that the drug may impair a person’s ability to operate a vehicle or vessel. The label may be printed on an auxiliary label affixed to the prescription container. (B&PC 4074[b], CCR 1744)

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14. Refill Authorization

Yes No N/A

☐☐☐ 14.1. Refill authorization from the prescriber is obtained before refilling a prescription. (B&PC 4063, 4064)

☐☐☐ 14.2. Refills are documented. (CCR 1717)

☐☐☐ 14.3. Prescriptions for dangerous drugs or devices are filled without the prescriber’s authorization if the prescriber is unavailable to authorize the refill and if, in the pharmacist's professional judgment, failure to refill the prescription might interrupt the patient’s ongoing care and have a significant adverse effect on the patient’s well-being. (B&PC 4064)

☐☐☐ 14.4. Refills for Schedule II controlled substances are prohibited. (H&SC 11200)
14.5. Refills for Schedule III and IV controlled substance prescriptions are limited to a maximum of 5 times within 6 months, and all refills taken together do not exceed a 120 day supply. (H&SC 11200)

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15. Quality Assurance and Medication Errors

Yes No N/A

☐ ☐ ☐ 15.1. Pharmacy has established quality assurance program that documents medication errors attributable, in whole or in part, to the pharmacy or its personnel. (B&PC 4125, CCR 1711)

☐ ☐ ☐ 15.2. Pharmacy quality assurance policies and procedures are maintained in the pharmacy and are immediately retrievable. (CCR 1711[c])

☐ ☐ ☐ 15.3. The pharmacist communicates with the patient or patient’s agent that a medication error has occurred and the steps required to avoid injury or mitigate the error. (CCR 1711[c][2][A], 1711[c][3])

☐ ☐ ☐ 15.4. When a medication error has occurred (drug was administered to or by the patient, or resulted in a clinically significant delay in therapy) the pharmacist communicates to the prescriber that a medication error has occurred. (CCR 1711[c][2][B], 1711[c][3])

☐ ☐ ☐ 15.5. Investigation of pharmacy medication errors is initiated within two business days from the date the medication error is discovered. (CCR 1711[d])

☐ ☐ ☐ 15.6. The record for quality assurance review for a medication error contains: (CCR 1711[e])

☐ ☐ 15.6.1. Date, location, and participants in the quality assurance review;

☐ ☐ 15.6.2. Pertinent data and other information related to the medication error(s) reviewed;

☐ ☐ 15.6.3. Findings and determinations; and

☐ ☐ 15.6.4. Recommended changes to pharmacy policy, procedure, systems or processes, if any.

☐ ☐ ☐ 15.7. The record of the quality assurance review is immediately retrievable in the pharmacy and is maintained in the pharmacy for at least one year from the date it was created. (CCR 1711[f])

☐ ☐ ☐ 15.8. Pharmacists are not deviating from the requirements of a prescription except upon the prior consent of the prescriber, and selection of the drug product is in accordance with B&PC 4073 (generic substitution). (CCR 1716)

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16. Erroneous or Uncertain Prescriptions / Corresponding Responsibility for Filling Controlled Substance Prescriptions

Yes No N/A

16.1. Before dispensing a prescription that contains any significant error, omission, irregularity, uncertainty, ambiguity or alteration, the pharmacist contacts the prescriber to obtain information needed to validate the prescription. (CCR 1761[a])

16.2. Pharmacists are aware of their corresponding responsibility to determine that a prescription written for a controlled substance was issued for legitimate medical purposes only. (H&SC 11153)

16.3. Even after conferring with the prescriber, the pharmacist does not dispense a controlled substance prescription if he or she knows or has objective reason to know that the prescription was not issued for a legitimate medical purpose. (CCR 1761[b], HSC 11153)

16.4. Internet prescriptions are only dispensed on a prescription issued pursuant to a good faith prior examination. (B&PC 4067[a])

16.5. Internet prescriptions for controlled substances are only dispensed if in compliance with the Ryan Haight Online Pharmacy Consumer Protection Act of 2008. (21 USC 829, 21 USC 802.)

16.6. All pharmacists have obtained approval to access information online regarding the controlled substance history of a patient that is stored on the Internet and maintained by the California Department of Justice (HSC 11165.1[a][1][A][ii]).

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17. Prescription Transfer

Yes No N/A

17.1. Only pharmacists may transfer prescriptions from pharmacy to pharmacy, and records of prescription transfers are kept as required. (CCR 1717 [e][1-6])

17.2. Complete and accurate transfer records are kept on each prescription and refill when dispensed by pharmacies sharing a common electronic file. (CCR 1717.1)

a. Schedule III, IV and V Controlled Substance Prescription Transfers

17.3. For the transferring pharmacy: the prescription hard copy is pulled and “void” is written on its face. The name of the pharmacy to which the prescription is transferred is written on the back of the voided prescription and all other information is recorded as required. The prescription can be transferred only once unless the pharmacies electronically share a real-time, on-line database, in which case the prescription is transferred up to the maximum refills permitted by law and the prescriber’s authorization. (CFR 1306.25, CCR 1717[f])
17.4. For the receiving pharmacy: the prescription is reduced to writing by the pharmacist and “transfer” is written on the face of the transferred prescription and all other information is recorded as required. (CCR 1717[e], CFR 1306.25)

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18. Confidentiality of Prescriptions

Yes No N/A

18.1. Patient information is maintained to safeguard confidentiality. (Civil Code 56.10 et seq.)

18.2. All prescriptions are kept confidential and only disclosed as authorized by law. (CCR 1764)

18.3. The pharmacy ensures electronically transmitted prescriptions are received, maintained and transmitted in a secure and confidential manner. (CCR 1717.4[h])

18.4. If electronically transmitted prescriptions are received by an interim storage device (to allow for retrieval at a later time), the pharmacy maintains the interim storage device in a manner to prevent unauthorized access. (CCR 1717.4[d])

18.5. If pharmacy has established and utilizes common electronic prescription files to maintain required dispensing information, the system shall not permit disclosure of confidential medical information except as authorized by law. (CCR 1717.1)

18.6. Destruction or disposal of patient records preserves the confidentiality of the information contained therein. (Civil Code 56.101)

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19. Record Keeping Requirements

Yes No N/A

19.1. All completed biennial pharmacy self-assessments are on file in the pharmacy and maintained for three years. (CCR 1715)

19.2. All drug acquisition and disposition records (complete accountability) are maintained for at least three years. These records include (B&PC 4081, 4105, 4333):

- 19.2.1. Prescription records (B&PC 4081[a])
- 19.2.2. Purchase Invoices for all prescription drugs (B&PC 4081[b])
- 19.2.3. Biennial controlled substances inventory (21 CFR 1304.11, CCR 1718)
19.2.5. Power of Attorney for completion of DEA 222 forms (21 CFR 1305.07)
19.2.6. Theft and Loss Reports (DEA Form 106) (21 CFR 1301.74[c])
19.2.7. Record documenting return of drugs to wholesaler or manufacturer (B&PC 4081)
19.2.8. Record documenting transfers or sales to other pharmacies, licensees and prescribers (B&PC 4081, 4105, CCR 1718)

Yes No N/A
☐☐☐ 19.3. Hypodermic needle and syringe sales by a pharmacist to a person without a prescription are limited to: (B&PC 4145.5)
☐ 19.3.1. Persons known to the pharmacist and when the pharmacist has previously been provided with a prescription or other proof of legitimate medical need;
☐ 19.3.2. Use on animals, provided the person is known to the pharmacist or the person’s identity can be properly established.
☐ 19.3.3. The sale of hypodermic needles or syringes at any one time to a person 18 or older only if the pharmacy is registered in their local county or city with the Disease Prevention Demonstration Project, and complies with the requirements of that project. (H&S 11364, B&PC 4145.5)
☐ 19.3.4. For industrial use, as determined by the board. (B&PC 4144.5)
☐ 19.3.5. As a public health measure intended to prevent the transmission of HIV, viral hepatitis, and other bloodborne diseases, furnishing of 30 or fewer hypodermic needles and syringes for human use to a person 18 years of age or older for personal use. (B&PC 4145.5)

☐☐☐ 19.4. When hypodermic needles and syringes are furnished by a pharmacy or hypodermic needle and exchange program without a prescription, the pharmacy provides the consumer with written information or verbal counseling on how to access drug treatment, testing and treatment for HIV and hepatitis C and safe disposal of sharps waste; and provide one or more of the following disposal options: (B&PC 4145.5[e][f])
☐ 19.4.1. Onsite, safe, hypodermic needle and syringe collection and disposal program.
☐ 19.4.2. Furnish or make available mail-back sharps containers.
☐ 19.4.3. Furnish or make available sharps containers.

☐☐☐ 19.5. Records stored off-site (only for pharmacies who have obtained a waiver from the Board of Pharmacy to store records off-site) are secure and retrievable within two business days. Records for non-controlled substances are maintained on the licensed premises for at least one year from the date of dispensing. Controlled substances are maintained on the licensed premises for at least two years from the date of dispensing. (CCR 1707, B&PC 4105)
Date Waiver Approved __________________ Waiver Number _____________

Address of offsite storage location: ___________________________________________

☐☐☐ 19.6. The pharmacy dispenses furnish epinephrine auto-injector to an authorized entity a prehospital emergency medical care person or lay rescuer for the purpose of rendering emergency care in accordance with H&SC 1797.197a (B&PC 4119.3, 4119.4)
19.6.1. A physician/surgeon authorized healthcare provider provides a written order that specifies the quantity of epinephrine auto-injectors to be dispensed (B&PC 4119.3[a][1], 4119.4).

19.6.2. The pharmacy labels each epinephrine auto-injector with the name of the person to whom the prescription was issued, the designation “Section 1797.197a responder” and “First Aid Purposes Only”, the dosage, use and expiration date. (B&PC 4119.3[a][1], 4119.4)

19.6.3. Each dispensed prescription includes the manufacturer’s product information sheet for epinephrine auto-injectors. (B&PC 4119.3[a][2], 4119.4)

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20. DEA Controlled Substances Inventory

Inventory:

Yes No N/A

20.1. Is completed biennially (every two years). Date completed: ______________________ (21 CFR 1304.11[b])

20.2. Schedule II inventory is separate from Schedule III, IV and V. (21 CFR 1304.04[h][1], 1304.04[h][2])

20.3. All completed inventories are available for inspection for three years. (CCR 1718)

20.4. Indicates on the inventory record whether the inventory was taken at the “open of business” or at the “close of business.” (21 CFR 1304.11[a])

20.5. Separate Schedule II records are maintained. This includes Schedule II prescriptions, invoices, US official order forms, and inventory records. (21 CFR 1304.04[h])

20.6. Schedule III-V prescriptions are filed separately from all prescription records or are designated with a red “C.” However, the red C requirement is waived if the pharmacy uses an automated data processing or other record keeping system for identification of controlled substances by prescription number and the original prescription documents can be retrieved promptly. (21 CFR 1304.04[h][2])

20.7. Inventories and records for Schedule III-V controlled substances are filed separately or are designated in some manner that makes the required information readily retrievable from ordinary business records. (21 CFR 1304.04)

20.8. U.S. Official Order Form (DEA Form222) or electronic equivalent (CSOS) is utilized when ordering all schedule II controlled substances. When schedule II controlled substance orders are received by the pharmacy, for each item received, the date and quantity received is indicated on the DEA Form222. (21 CFR 1305.03, 1305.12)

20.9. When a pharmacy distributes schedule II controlled substances to a DEA registrant (pharmacies, wholesales, manufacturers, prescribers) a DEA Form222 is prepared by the purchasing
registrant and provided to the pharmacy selling the schedule II controlled substances.  
(21 CFR 1305.12)

Yes No N/A

20.10. When the pharmacy distributes Schedule II controlled substances to other DEA registrants, such as those listed above, Copy 2 of the DEA Form222, is properly completed by the pharmacy selling the controlled substances and that copy is submitted at the end of each month to the DEA regional office. (21 CFR 1305.13)

20.11. Sales of controlled substances to other pharmacies or prescribers do not exceed five percent of the total number of controlled substances dosage units dispensed per calendar year; otherwise a wholesaler registration is obtained from DEA and from the board. (21 CFR 1307.11[b], Prescription Drug Marketing Act of 1987 [Pub. L. 100-293, Apr. 22, 1988] 503. B&PC 4160)

20.12. When dispensed upon an “oral” order for a true emergency, a Schedule II prescription is provided by the prescriber by the 7th day following the transmission of the oral order. If not received, the pharmacy reports failure to provide prescription document to the California Bureau of Narcotic Enforcement within 144 hours of the failure to provide prescription. (H&SC 11167[d])

20.13. The pharmacy generates a controlled substance printout for refills of Schedule III-V prescriptions at least every three days (72 hours) which contains the signature of the dispensing pharmacist, or the pharmacy maintains an alternate system to document the refilling of controlled substance prescriptions that complies with 21 CFR 1306.22.

20.14. Any controlled substances drug loss is reported upon discovery to the DEA and within 30 days of discovery to the Board of Pharmacy. (21 CFR 1301.74[c], CCR 1715.6)

20.15. Do pharmacy staff hand initial prescription records or prescription labels, or

20.16. Does the pharmacy comply with the requirement for a pharmacist to initial or sign a prescription record or prescription label by recording the identity of the reviewing pharmacist in a computer system by a secure means. This computer does not permit the record to be altered after made and the record of the pharmacist’s identity made in the computer system is immediately retrievable in the pharmacy. (CCR 1712, 1717[b][1])

20.17. All Schedule II through IV controlled substance dispensing data is successfully transmitted to CURES weekly. (H&SC 11165[d])

20.18. When furnishing controlled substances for physician office use, a prescription is not issued in order for an individual practitioner to obtain controlled substances for supplying the practitioner’s general dispensing to patients. (21 CFR 1306.04[b])

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21. Oral/Electronic Transmission and Fractionation of Schedule II Controlled Substance Prescriptions

Yes No N/A

21.1. A faxed prescription for a Schedule II controlled substance is dispensed only after the original written prescription is received from the prescriber. (21 CFR 1306.11[a], H&SC 11164)

21.2. An oral or electronically transmitted prescription for a Schedule II controlled substance for a patient in a licensed skilled nursing facility, licensed intermediate care facility, licensed home health agency or a licensed hospice care is dispensed only after the pharmacist has reduced the prescription to writing on a pharmacy-generated prescription form, and: (21 CFR 1306.11, 21 CFR 1306.11[f], H&SC 11167.5)

☐ 21.2.1. The licensed facility provides the pharmacy with a copy of the prescriber’s signed order, when available.
☐ 21.2.2. The prescription is endorsed by the pharmacist with the pharmacy’s name, license, and address.
☐ 21.2.3. The physician has signed the original prescription or provides a facsimile signature on the prescription.
☐ 21.2.4. The signature of the person who received the controlled substance for the licensed skilled nursing facility, licensed intermediate care facility, licensed home health agency or licensed hospice. (21 CFR 1306.11[f], H&SC 11167.5)

21.3. If unable to supply the full quantity, the pharmacist partially fills a Schedule II prescription and is aware that if the remaining portion of the prescription is to be filled, it must be filled within 72 hours. (21 CFR 1306.13[a])

21.4. The pharmacist maintains records of each partial filling (filled within 60 days from the date of prescription issuance) of an original prescription for a Schedule II controlled substance written for a patient of a skilled nursing facility or a patient diagnosed as “terminally ill.” (21 CFR 1306.13[b], CCR 1745)

21.5. The pharmacist maintains records of each partial filling (filled within 30 days from the date of prescription issuance) of an original prescription for a Schedule II controlled substance written when requested by the patient or practitioner. (21 USC 829[f])

21.56. The pharmacist, in a true emergency dispenses a Schedule II controlled substance from a prescription transmitted orally or electronically by a prescriber. If the order is written by the prescriber, the prescription is in ink, signed and dated by the prescriber. If the prescription is orally or electronically transmitted, it must be reduced to hard copy. The prescriber provides a written prescription on a controlled substance form that meets the requirements of H&SC 11162.1 by the seventh day following the transmission of the initial order. (21 CFR 1306.11[d], H&SC 11167)

21.67. All prescriptions received, maintained or transmitted by the pharmacy, whether new or refill, received orally, in writing or electronically, are handled to ensure their security, integrity, authenticity and confidentiality. (CCR 1717.4)
21.78. Electronic image transmission prescriptions are either received in hard copy or the pharmacy has the capacity to retrieve a hard copy facsimile of the prescription from the pharmacy’s computer memory. (CCR 1717.4[e])

21.89. All electronically transmitted prescriptions include the name & address of the prescriber, a telephone number for oral confirmation, date of transmission and the name of identity of the recipient. (CCR 1717.4[c])

Yes No N/A

21.910. Prescriptions received into an interim storage device, in addition to the prescription information, record and maintain the date the prescription is entered into the device, the date the prescription is transmitted out of the device and the recipient of the outgoing transmission. (CCR 1717.4[d])

21.1011. A computer generated prescription that is not an e-script and is printed out or faxed by the practitioner to the pharmacy must be manually signed. (21 CFR 1306.05)

21.1112. Controlled substances written with the “11159.2 exemption” for the terminally ill are only dispensed when the original prescription is received, is tendered and partially filled within 60 days and no portion is dispensed more than 60 days from the date issued. (H&SC 11159.2, 21 CFR 1306.11[a], CCR 1745)

21.1213. Electronic prescriptions (e-scripts) for controlled substances that are received from the prescriber meet federal requirements. (21 CFR 1306.08, 21 CFR 1311)

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22. Automated Dispensing/Delivery Devices

Yes No N/A

22.1. Does the pharmacy use an automated dispensing/delivery device and/or prescription drop box? (CCR 1713)

22.2. The pharmacy has registered with the board all automated drug delivery systems that it operates in any location within 30 days of installation, removal, and at the time of renewal. (B&PC 4105.5(b))

22.3. The pharmacy has policies and procedures for security measures and monitoring of the inventory to prevent theft and diversion. (B&PC 4105.5(c))

22.4. The pharmacy reports drugs losses as required by law. (B&PC 4105.5(c))

22.25. The drugs in an automated dispensing unit are properly labeled and identified with at least the following information: name of drug, strength and dosage form, manufacturer and manufacturer’s lot number, and expiration date. (21 CFR Part 210, 211, B&PC 4342, 21 CFR Part 201.17, H&SC 111355)
22.3. For an “automated drug delivery system” located in a skilled or intermediate care facility licensed by the Department of Public Health, the following is required:

☐ 22.3.1. Pharmacy and facility have developed policies and procedures to insure safety, accuracy, accountability, security, access, patient confidentiality, and maintenance of the quality, potency, and purity of stored drugs. (H&SC 1261.6[d][1])

☐ 22.3.2. A pharmacist reviews the order and patient’s profile prior to the drug being removed. (H&SC 1261.6[e][2])

☐ 22.3.3. Stocking of the automated drug delivery system is done by a pharmacist. (H&SC 1261.6[f])

22.4. If the automated drug delivery system utilizes removable pockets, drawers, or similar technology, the stocking system is done outside the facility in a pharmacy and delivered to the facility:

☐ 22.4.1. Drugs are restocked by a pharmacist or by an intern or technician working under the supervision of a pharmacist. (H&SC 1261.6[f][1])

☐ 22.4.2. Removable pockets or drawers are transported between the pharmacy and the facility in a secure tamper-evident container. (H&SC 1261.1[f][2])

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23. Repackaging by the Pharmacy

Yes No N/A

☐ 23.1. Drugs are repackaged (precounted or poured) in quantities suitable for dispensing to patients of the pharmacy. Such repackaging is performed according to the Current Good Manufacturing Practice (CGMP), and the drugs are properly labeled with at least the following information: name of drug, strength, dosage form, manufacturer’s name and lot number, expiration date, and quantity per repackaged unit. (21 CFR Part 210, 211 [CGMP], B&PC 4342, H&SC 110105, 111430, CCR 1707.5)

☐ 23.2. A log is maintained for drugs pre-packed for future dispensing. (CCR 1751.1, 21 CFR Parts 210, 211)

☐ 23.3. Drugs previously dispensed are re-packaged at the patient’s request in compliance with B&PC 4052.7.

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24. Refill Pharmacy

Yes No N/A

☐ 24.1. Pharmacy processes refills for another California licensed pharmacy (CCR 1707.4[a])
If the answer is "yes", name the pharmacy or pharmacies __________________________

☐ ☐ ☐ 24.2. Does the pharmacy employ the use of a common electronic file? If yes, are there policies and procedures in place to prevent unauthorized disclosures? (CCR 1717.1)

☐ ☐ ☐ 24.3. Some or all pharmacy refill orders are processed by another California licensed pharmacy. (CCR 1707.4[a])

If the answer is "yes," name of refilling pharmacy(s) _______________________________

If the answer to both questions above is “no” or “not applicable” go to section 23.

☐ ☐ ☐ 24.4. Originating pharmacy and refill pharmacy have a contract outlining the refill arrangement, or the pharmacies have the same owner. (CCR 1707.4[a][1])

☐ ☐ ☐ 24.5. Refill prescription label meets requirements of B&PC 4076 and CCR 1707.5 and shows the name and address of the refilling and or originating pharmacy. (CCR 1707.4[a][2])

☐ ☐ ☐ 24.6. Patient is provided with written information, either on the prescription label or prescription container that describes which pharmacy to contact for questions. (CCR 1707.4[a][3])

Yes No N/A

☐ ☐ ☐ 24.7. Both pharmacies maintain complete and accurate records of refill. (CCR 1707.4[a][4])

☐ ☐ ☐ 24.8. Both pharmacies are responsible for accuracy of the refilled prescription. (CCR 1707.4[a][5])

☐ ☐ ☐ 24.9. Originating pharmacy is responsible for consultation, maintenance of a medication profile and reviewing the patient’s drug therapy before delivery of each prescription. (CCR 1707.4[a][6])

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Standards of Service for Providers of Blood Clotting Products for Home Use (HSC 125286.10)

Yes No N/A

☐ ☐ ☐ 25.1. The pharmacy is a provider of blood clotting products for home use. (HSC 125286.20)

☐ 25.1.1. Health system pharmacy. (HSC 125286.20[j][1][B])

☐ 25.1.2. Pharmacy affiliated with hemophilia treatment centers. (HSC 125286.20[j][1][C])

☐ 25.1.3. Specialty home care pharmacy. (HSC 125286.20[j][1][D])

☐ 25.1.4. Retail pharmacy. (HSC 125286.20[j][1][E])

☐ ☐ ☐ 25.2. The pharmacy meets the following requirements:

☐ 25.2.1. Has sufficient knowledge and understanding of bleeding disorders to accurately follow the instructions of the prescribing physician and ensure high-quality service for the patient. (HSC 125286.25[a])
25.2.2. Has access to a provider with sufficient clinical experience that enables the provider to know when patients have an appropriate supply of clotting factor on hand and about proper storage and refrigeration of clotting factors. (HSC 125286.25[b])

25.2.3. Maintains 24-hour on-call service 7 days a week, screens telephone calls for emergencies, acknowledges all telephone calls within one hour or less, and has access to knowledgeable pharmacy staffing on call 24 hours a day. (HSC 125286.25[c])

25.2.4. Has the ability to obtain all brands of blood clotting products approved by the FDA in multiple assay ranges and vial sizes, including products manufactured from human plasma and those manufactured with recombinant biotechnology techniques, provided manufacturer supply exists and payer authorization is obtained. (HSC 125286.25[d])

25.2.5. Supplies all necessary ancillary infusion equipment and supplies with each prescription, as needed. (HSC 125286.25[e])

25.2.6. Stores and ships, or otherwise delivers, all blood clotting products in conformity with all state and federally mandated standards, including those set forth in the product’s approved package insert. (HSC 125286.25[f])

25.2.7. Upon authorization for a nonemergency prescription, ships the prescribed blood clotting products and ancillary infusion equipment and supplies to the patient within two business days or less. (HSC 125286.25[g])

25.2.8. Upon approved authorization to dispense a prescription for an emergency situation, provided manufacturer supply exists, delivers prescribed blood products, ancillary infusion equipment and supplies, and medications to the patient within 12 hours for patients living within 100 miles of a major metropolitan airport, and within one day for patients living more than 100 miles from a major metropolitan airport. (HSC 125286.25[h])

25.2.9. Provides patients who have ordered their products with a designated contact telephone number for reporting problems with a delivery, and responds to calls within a reasonable time period. (HSC 125286.25[i])

25.2.10. Notifies patients of Class 1 and Class 2 recalls and withdrawals of blood clotting products and ancillary infusion equipment within 24 hours of receiving such notice, and participates in the National Patient Notification System for blood clotting recalls. (HSC 125286.25[j])

25.2.11. Provides language interpretive services over the telephone or in person, as needed by the patient. (HSC 125286.25[k])

25.2.12. Has a detailed plan for meeting the requirements of the Standards of Service for Providers of Blood Clotting Products for Home Use Act in the event of a natural or manmade disaster or other disruption of normal business operations. (HSC 125286.25[l])
26. Policies and Procedures

Yes No N/A

26.1. There are written policies and procedures in place for:

☐ 26.1.1. The pharmacist’s administration of immunizations by injection pursuant to a prescriber’s order or state protocol for immunizations; (B&PC 4052.1[a][3])

☐ 26.1.2. Action to be taken to protect the public when a licensed individual employed by or with the pharmacy is known to be chemically, mentally, or physically impaired to the extent that it affects his or her ability to practice the profession or occupation authorized by his or her license, including the reporting to the board within 14 days of receipt or development; (B&PC 4104[a],[c])

☐ 26.1.3. Action to be taken to protect the public when a licensed individual employed by or with the pharmacy is known to have engaged in the theft or diversion or self-use of prescription drugs belonging to the pharmacy, including the reporting to the board within 14 days of receipt or development; (B&PC 4104[b],[c])

☐ 26.1.4. Oral consultation for discharge medications to an inpatient of a health care facility licensed pursuant to H&SC 1250, or to an inmate of an adult correctional facility or juvenile detention facility; (B&PC 4074, CCR 1707.2[b][3])

☐ 26.1.5. Operation of the pharmacy during the temporary absence of the pharmacist for breaks and meal periods including authorized duties of personnel, pharmacist’s responsibilities for checking all work performed by ancillary staff, and pharmacist’s responsibility for maintaining the security of the pharmacy; (CCR 1714.1[f])

☐ 26.1.6. Assuring confidentiality of medical information if your pharmacy maintains the required dispensing information for prescriptions, other than controlled substances, in a shared common electronic file; (CCR 1717.1[e])

☐ 26.1.7. The delivery of dangerous drugs and dangerous devices to a secure storage facility, if the pharmacy accepts deliveries when the pharmacy is closed and there is no pharmacist present; (B&PC 4059.5[f][1])


☐ 26.1.9. Reporting requirements to protect the public; (B&PC 4104)

☐ 26.1.10. Preventing the dispensing of a prescription drug that is contrary to the law; A policy to establish how a patient will receive a medication when a pharmacist has a conscientious objection. (B&PC 733)

☐ 26.1.11. Preventing the dispensing of a prescription when the pharmacist determines that the prescribed drug or device would cause a harmful drug interaction or would otherwise adversely affect the patient’s medical condition; and (B&PC 733)

☐ 26.1.12. Helping patients with limited or no English proficiency understand the information on the prescription container label in the patient’s language, including the selected means to identify the patient’s language and providing interpretive services in the patient’s language. (CCR 1707.5)
26.2. Does your pharmacy employ the use of a common electronic file?

☐ 26.2.1. If yes, are there policies and procedures in place to prevent unauthorized disclosures? (CCR 1717.1)

26.3. Does your pharmacy furnish emergency contraceptives pursuant to B&PC 4052.3[a][1]?

☐ (B&PC 4052, CCR 1746) If yes, does the pharmacy

☐ 26.3.1. Follow the protocol for pharmacists furnishing Emergency Contraception (EC) approved by the California State Board of Pharmacy and the Medical Board of California? (CCR 1746)

☐ 26.3.2. Provide the patient with a copy of the current EC Fact Sheet approved by the Board of Pharmacy? (CCR 1746)

☐ 26.3.3. Maintain in the pharmacy EC medications and adjunctive medications (for nausea and vomiting when taken with EC containing estrogens) as listed in the protocol? (CCR 1746)

☐ 26.3.4. Prior to furnishing EC, the pharmacist has completed a minimum of one hour of continuing education specific to emergency contraception. (CCR 1746)

☐ 26.3.5. If no, EC services are not immediately available or any pharmacist declines to furnish pursuant to a conscience clause, does the pharmacist refer the patient to another emergency contraception provider? (CCR 1746)

☐ 26.3.6. Does the pharmacy have a protocol that ensures a patient has timely access to a prescribed drug or device despite a pharmacist’s refusal to dispense a prescription or order? (B&PC 733[b])

☐ 26.3.7. If a pharmacist declines to dispense a prescription drug or device pursuant to an order or prescription, the pharmacist has previously notified his or her employer in writing? (B&PC 733[b], B&PC 4052.3)

☐ 26.3.8. If no, EC services are not immediately available or any pharmacist declines to furnish pursuant to a conscience clause, does the pharmacist refer the patient to another emergency contraception provider? (CCR 1746)

26.4. Furnishes naloxone hydrochloride in accordance with standardized procedures or protocols developed and approved by both the Board of Pharmacy and the Medical Board of California. (B&PC 4052.01[a], CCR 1746.3)

☐ 26.4.1. Procedures to ensure education of the person to whom the drug is furnished, not limited to opioid prevention, recognition and response, safe administration, potential side effects, or adverse events and the imperative to seek emergency medical care for the patient.

☐ 26.4.2. Procedures for the notification of the patient’s primary care provider with patient consent of any drug or device furnished to the patient or entry of appropriate information in a patient record system.

26.5. Furnishes nicotine replacement products in accordance with standardized procedures or protocols developed and approved by both the Board of Pharmacy and the Medical Board of California. (B&PC 4052.9, CCR 1746.2)
26.6. Furnishes hormonal contraception products in accordance with standardized procedures or protocols developed and approved by both the Board of Pharmacy and the Medical Board of California. (B&PC 4052.3, CCR 1746.1)

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27. Compounding

Yes No N/A

27.1. Prior to allowing any drug product to be compounded in a pharmacy, the pharmacist-in-charge must complete the “Compounding Self-Assessment” Form 17M-39 (Rev. 02/12 10/16) (CCR 1735.2[j])

28. Nuclear Pharmacy

Yes No N/A

28.1. All pharmacists handling radioactive drugs are competent in the preparation, handling, storage, receiving, dispensing, disposition and pharmacology of radioactive drugs. (CCR 1708.4)

28.2. A pharmacist qualified under CCR 1708.4 to furnish radioactive drugs is in the pharmacy whenever the furnishing of radioactive drugs occurs. All personnel involved in the furnishing of radioactive drugs are under the immediate and direct supervision of such a qualified pharmacist. (CCR 1708.5)

28.3. The pharmacy possesses a current Sterile Compounding Permit (B&PC 4127) and is compliant with CCR 1751. (Must also complete Compounding Self-Assessment, 17M-39 Rev. 02/12 10/16.) (CCR 1735.2 et al.)

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29. Pharmacies That Donate Drugs to a Voluntary County-Approved Drug Repository and Distribution Program

Yes No N/A

29.1. The pharmacy donates medications to a county-approved drug repository and distribution program, and meets the following requirements: (H&SC 150202.5, 150204, B&PC 4169.5)
29.1.1. The pharmacy is licensed by and is not on probation with the California State Board of Pharmacy, and (H&SC 150202.5)

29.1.2. The pharmacy's primary or sole type of pharmacy practice is limited to skilled nursing facility, home health care, board and care, or mail order. (H&SC 150202.5)

29.2. If the pharmacy utilizes a surplus medication collection and distribution intermediary, the pharmacy ensures that the intermediary is licensed by the California State Board of Pharmacy. (B&PC 4169.5)

29.3. No controlled substances shall be donated. (H&SC 150204[c][1])

29.4. Drugs that are donated are unused, unexpired and meet the following requirements: (H&SC 150202.5, 150204[c])

29.4.1. Have not been adulterated, misbranded, or stored under conditions contrary to standards set by the USP or the product manufacturer. (H&SC 150204[c][2])

29.4.2. Were received directly from a manufacturer or wholesaler. (H&SC 150202.5[a])

29.4.3. Were returned from a health facility to which the drugs were originally issued, in a manner consistent with state and federal law, and where the drugs were centrally stored; were under the control of a health facility staff member; and that were never in the possession of a patient or individual member of the public. (H&C 150202.5[b], 150204[c][3])

29.4.4. Are in unopened, tamper-evident packaging or modified unit dose containers with lot numbers and expiration dates affixed. (H&SC 150204[d])

29.4.5. For donated medications that require refrigeration, are medications that are stored, packaged and transported at appropriate temperatures and in accordance with USP standards and pharmacy law. (H&SC 150204[m])

30. Pharmacies That Operate a Voluntary County-Approved Drug Repository and Distribution Program

Yes No N/A

30.1. The pharmacy conducts a county-approved drug repository and distribution program. (H&SC 150201, 150204)

30.1.1. The pharmacy is licensed by and is not on probation with the California State Board of Pharmacy, and: (H&SC 150201[a][1])

30.1.1.1. Is county owned (H&SC 150201[b][1]) or

30.1.1.2. Contracts with the county to establish a voluntary drug repository and distribution program. (H&SC 150201[b][1], 150200)

30.1.2. The pharmacy is owned and operated by a primary care clinic licensed by the California Department of Public Health, and is not on probation with the California State Board of Pharmacy. (H&SC 150201[a][2])

Yes No N/A

30.2. The pharmacy has been prohibited by the county board of supervisors, the county public health officer, or the California State Board of Pharmacy from participating in the program because it does not comply with the provisions of the program. (H&SC 150204[a][5])

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30.3. Date that the county health department confirmed receipt of the pharmacy’s “notice of intent”
to participate in the program: ___________________ (H&SC 150204[a][3])

30.4. The pharmacy provides the county health department on a quarterly basis the name and
location of all sources of donated medication it receives. (H&SC 150204[a][4][A])

    Date last quarterly report was submitted: ________________

30.5. The pharmacy complies with the county’s established written procedures. (H&SC 150204[b])

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30.6. Donated medications are segregated from the participating entity’s other drug stock by physical
means, for purposes that include inventory, accounting and inspection. (H&SC 150204[j])

30.7. Records of acquisition and disposition of donated medications are kept separate from the
participating entity’s other drug acquisition and disposition records. (H&SC 150204[k])

30.8. The participating entity follows the same procedural drug pedigree requirements for donated
drugs as it does for drugs purchased from a wholesaler or directly from a drug manufacturer.
(H&SC 150204[n])

30.9. Donated medications received are unused, unexpired and meet the following requirements:
(H&SC 150202, 150202.5, 150204[c])

    □ 30.9.1. Are received from authorized sources. (H&SC 150202, 150203)

    □ 30.9.2. No controlled substances are received. (H&SC 150204[c][1])

    □ 30.9.3. Are not adulterated, misbranded, or stored under conditions contrary to USP
    standards or the product manufacturer. (H&SC 150204[c][2])

    □ 30.9.4. Medications received from a health care facility were centrally stored and under the
    control of a licensed health care professional or trained staff member of facility, and were
    never in the possession of a patient or member of the public. (H&SC 150204[c][3])

    □ 30.9.5. Are received in unopened, tamper-evident packaging or modified unit dose
    containers with lot numbers and expiration dates affixed. (H&SC 150204[d])

    □ 30.9.6. Are maintained in the donated packaging until dispensed to an eligible patient under
    the program, who presents a valid prescription. (H&SC 150204[i])

    □ 30.9.7. For donated medications that require refrigeration, there are specific procedures to
    ensure that the medications are packaged, transported, stored, and dispensed at appropriate
    temperatures and in accordance with USP standards and pharmacy law. (H&SC 150204[m])

30.10. Donated medication received in open containers is not dispensed under the program or
transferred to another participating entity; and once identified, is quarantined immediately and
disposed of in accordance with the Medical Waste Management Act. (H&SC 150204[d], 150204[h])
Transferring Donated Drugs From One Participating Entity to Another

30.11. The pharmacy transfers donated medications to another participating county-owned pharmacy within an adjacent county. (H&SC 150204[g][4])

30.12. The pharmacy has a written agreement outlining the protocols and procedures for the transfer of donated medications. (H&SC 150204[g][4][A])

Adjacent counties to which donated medications are transferred:

30.13. Donated medication is not transferred by any participating entity more than once. (H&SC 150204[g][4][B])

30.14. When transferring donated medications, documentation accompanies the medication that identifies the drug name, strength, quantity of medication, and the donating facility from where the medication originated. (H&SC 150204[g][4][C])

30.15. When transferring donated medication, documentation includes a statement that the medication may not be transferred to another participating entity. (H&SC 150204[g][4][C])

Dispensing to Eligible Patients

30.16. Donated medications that are dispensed to an eligible patient that presents a valid prescription are dispensed in a new and properly labeled container, specific to the eligible patient. (H&SC 150204[i])

30.17. The pharmacist adheres to standard pharmacy practices, as required by state and federal law, when dispensing donated medications under this program. (H&SC 150204[f])
PHARMACIST-IN-CHARGE CERTIFICATION:
I, (please print) _________________________________, RPH # _____________________ hereby certify that I have completed the self-assessment of this pharmacy of which I am the pharmacist-in-charge. Any deficiency identified herein will be corrected. I understand that all responses are subject to verification by the Board of Pharmacy. I further state under penalty of perjury of the laws of the State of California that the information that I have provided in this self-assessment form is true and correct.

Signature ________________________________________________ Date ________________________
(Pharmacist-in-Charge)

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT BY PHARMACY OWNER OR HOSPITAL ADMINISTRATOR:
I, (please print) _________________________________, hereby certify under penalty of perjury of the laws of the State of California that I have read and reviewed this completed self-assessment. I understand that failure to correct any deficiency identified in this self-assessment could result in the revocation of the pharmacy’s license issued by the California State Board of Pharmacy.

Signature ________________________________________________ Date ________________________
The following **Legal References** are used in the self-assessment form. Many of these references can be viewed on the Board of Pharmacy Web site at www.pharmacy.ca.gov (see Laws and Regulations), at the California State Law Library, or at other libraries or Internet web sites.

- California Code of Regulations (CCR), Title 16 and Title 24
- Business and Professions Code (B&PC), Chapter 9, Division 2
- Health and Safety Code (H&SC), Division 10, Uniform Controlled Substances Act
- California Code of Regulations (CCR), Chapter 1, Division 5, Title 22
- Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Title 21, Chapter II, Drug Enforcement Administration (www.dea.gov)
HOSPITAL PHARMACY SELF-ASSESSMENT

Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations section 1715 requires the pharmacist-in-charge of each pharmacy licensed under section 4037 or 4029 of the Business and Professions Code to complete a self-assessment of the pharmacy’s compliance with federal and state pharmacy law. The assessment shall be performed before July 1 of every odd-numbered year. The pharmacist-in-charge must also complete a self-assessment within 30 days whenever (1) a new pharmacy permit has been issued, or (2) there is a change in the pharmacist-in-charge. The primary purpose of the self-assessment is to promote compliance through self-examination and education.

The self-assessment must be completed in its entirety and may be completed online, printed and retained in the pharmacy. Do not copy a previous assessment.

Notes: If dispensing prescriptions for outpatient use, a Hospital Outpatient Pharmacy Self-Assessment (17M-13, Rev. 10/14 10/16 must be completed also. A hospital that compounds drug products must also complete the Compounding Self-Assessment (17M-39 Rev. 02/12 10/16).)

Each self-assessment must be kept on file in the pharmacy for three years after it is performed.

Pharmacy Name: __________________________________________________ ___________________________

Address: ___________________________________________ Phone: ______________________________

Ownership: Sole Owner ☐ Partnership ☐ Corporation ☐ LLC ☐
Non-Licensed Owner ☐ Other (please specify) ☐ _________________________________

Permit #: ____________ Exp. Date: ____________ Other Permit #: ____________ Exp. Date: _______

Licensed Sterile Compounding Permit # ____________ Expiration: ______________________________

Accredited by (optional): ____________________________ From: _____________ To: ________________

Centralized Hospital Packaging Permit #: ___________________ Exp. Date: ______________________

DEA Registration #: _________________ Exp. Date: ____________ Date of DEA Inventory: __________

Hours: Weekdays ____________ Sat _________________ Sun. ________________ 24 Hours ___________

PIC: __________________________________________ RPH # ______________ Exp. Date: __________

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Pharmacy staff (pharmacists, interns, technicians):
APP=Advanced Practice Pharmacist, DEA =Drug Enforcement Administration.

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Initials
HOSPITAL PHARMACY SELF-ASSESSMENT

All references to the California Code of Regulations (CCR) are Title 16 unless otherwise noted.

Please mark the appropriate box for each question. If “NO,” enter an explanation on “CORRECTIVE ACTION or ACTION PLAN” lines below. If more space is needed, you may add additional sheets.

1. Pharmacy

Yes No N/A

☐ ☐ ☐ 1. The pharmacy is secure and has provisions for effective control against the theft of dangerous drugs and devices. (B&PC 4116, 4117, CCR 1714)

☐ ☐ ☐ 1.2. The pharmacy has procedures in place to take action to protect the public when a licensed individual employed by or with the pharmacy is discovered or known to be chemically, mentally, or physically impaired to the extent it affects his or her ability to practice the profession or occupation authorized by his or her license, or is discovered or known to have engaged in the theft, diversion, or self-use of dangerous drugs. (B&PC 4104[a])

☐ ☐ ☐ 1.3. The pharmacy has written policies and procedures for addressing chemical, mental, or physical impairment, as well as theft, diversion, or self-use of dangerous drugs, among licensed individual employed by or with the pharmacy. (B&PC 4104[b])

☐ ☐ ☐ 1.4. The pharmacy reports to the board within 14 days of the receipt or development of the following information with regard to any licensed individual employed by or with the pharmacy: (1) any admission by a licensed individual of chemical, mental, or physical impairment affecting his or her ability to practice; (2) Any admission by a licensed individual of theft, diversion, or self-use of dangerous drugs; (3) Any video or documentary evidence demonstrating chemical, mental, or physical impairment of a licensed individual to the extent it affects his or her ability to practice; (4) Any video or documentary evidence demonstrating theft, diversion, or self-use of dangerous drugs by a licensed individual; (5) Any termination based on chemical, mental, or physical impairment of a licensed individual to the extent it affects his or her ability to practice; (6) Any termination of a licensed individual based on theft, diversion, or self-use of dangerous drugs. (B&PC 4104[c])

☐ ☐ ☐ 1.5. The pharmacy maintains “night stock” medications which are accessible without entering the pharmacy during hours when the pharmacy is closed, and the pharmacist is not available. Access is limited to designated registered nurses. (22 CCR 70263[n])

☐ ☐ ☐ 1.6. The pharmacy is of sufficient size and has an unobstructed area to accommodate the safe practice of pharmacy. (CCR 1714)

☐ ☐ ☐ 1.7. The pharmacy premises, fixtures, and equipment are maintained in a clean and orderly condition. (CCR 1714)

☐ ☐ ☐ 1.8. The pharmacy sink has hot and cold running water. (CCR 1714)

☐ ☐ ☐ 1.9. The pharmacy has a readily accessible restroom. (CCR 1714)
1.10. The original board-issued pharmacy license and the current renewal are posted where they may be clearly read by the purchasing public. (B&PC 4032, 4058)

1.11. Pharmacists, interns, pharmacy technicians, and pharmacy technician trainees wear nametags, in 18-point type, that contain their name and license status. (B&PC 680, B&PC 4115.5[e], CCR 1793.7[c])

1.12. Does the pharmacy compound sterile drugs? (If yes, complete section 27 – “Compounding”) (If yes, complete Compounding Self-Assessment Form 17M-39 10/16)

1.13. The pharmacy is subscribed to the board’s e-mail notifications. (B&PC 4013)

   Date Last Notification Received: ___________________________________

   E-mail address registered with the board: _______________________________

1.14. For a pharmacy whose owner owns two or more pharmacies, the pharmacy receives the board’s e-mail notifications through the owner’s electronic notice system. (B&PC 4013[c])

   Date Last Notification Received: ___________________________________

   E-mail address registered with the board: _______________________________

CORRECTIVE ACTION OR ACTION PLAN: ______________________________________________________

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2. Nursing Stations

2.1. Adequate space is available at ward or nursing station for the storage of drugs and preparation of medication doses. All such spaces and areas can be locked and are accessible to authorized personnel only. (22 CCR 70269)

2.2. The pharmacist, intern, or pharmacy technician completes the monthly inspections of all floor stock and drugs maintained in nursing stations. Any irregularities are reported to the director of nursing services, and as required by hospital policy. (B&PC 4119.7[c], 4115[j], 22 CCR 70263[q][10])

   2.2.1. An intern shall report any irregularities to the pharmacist. (B&PC 4119.7[c]);

   2.2.2. A pharmacy technician shall report any irregularities to the pharmacist-in-charge and to the director of the health care facility within 24 hours. (B&PC 4115[i][3]);

CORRECTIVE ACTION OR ACTION PLAN: ____________________________________________________

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Initials
3. Delivery of Drugs

Yes No N/A

☐ ☐ ☐ 3.1. Delivery to the pharmacy of dangerous drugs and dangerous devices are only delivered to the licensed premise and signed for and received by a pharmacist. (B&PC 4059.5[a])

☐ ☐ ☐ 3.2. Deliveries to a hospital pharmacy may be made to a central receiving location within the hospital. However, the dangerous drugs or dangerous devices shall be delivered to the licensed pharmacy premise within one working day following receipt by the hospital, and the pharmacist on duty at that time shall immediately inventory the drugs or devices. (B&PC 4059.5[c])

☐ ☐ ☐ 3.3. A pharmacy may take delivery of dangerous drugs and dangerous devices when the pharmacy is closed and no pharmacist is on duty if all of the following requirements are met (B&PC 4059.5[f]):

☐ 3.3.1. The drugs are placed in a secure storage facility in the same building as the pharmacy (B&PC 4059.5[f][1]);

☐ 3.3.2. Only the pharmacist-in-charge or a pharmacist designated by the pharmacist-in-charge has access to the secure storage facility after dangerous drugs or dangerous devices have been delivered (B&PC 4059.5[f][2]);

☐ 3.3.3. The secure storage facility has a means of indicating whether it has been entered after dangerous drugs or dangerous devices have been delivered (B&PC 4059.5[f][3]);

☐ 3.3.4. The pharmacy maintains written policies and procedures for the delivery of dangerous drugs and dangerous devices to a secure storage facility (B&PC 4059.5[f][4]); and

☐ 3.3.5. The agent delivering dangerous drugs and dangerous devices pursuant to this subdivision leaves documents indicating the name and amount of each dangerous drug or dangerous device delivered in the secure storage facility. The pharmacy shall be responsible for the dangerous drugs and dangerous devices delivered to the secure storage facility. The pharmacy shall also be responsible for obtaining and maintaining records relating to the delivery of dangerous drugs and dangerous devices to a secure storage facility. (B&PC 4059.5[f][5])

☐ ☐ ☐ 3.4. Prior to, or at the time of, accepting ownership of a product included in the Drug Supply Chain Security Act from an authorized trading partner, the pharmacy is provided transaction history, transaction information, and a transaction statement. (Title II of the DQSA Section 582[d][i])

☐ ☐ ☐ 3.5. Prior to, or at the time of, each transaction in which the pharmacy transfers ownership of a product included in the Drug Supply Chain Security Act to an authorized trading partner, the subsequent owner is provided transaction history, transaction information, and a transaction statement for the product. Note: This requirement does not apply to sales by a pharmacy to another pharmacy to fulfill a specific patient need. (Title II of the DQSA Section 582[d][ii])

☐ ☐ ☐ 3.6. The pharmacy captures transaction information (including lot level information, if provided), transaction history, and transaction statements, as necessary to investigate a suspect product, and maintains such information, history, and statements for not less than 6 years after the transaction. (Title II of DQSA Section 582[d][iii])

CORRECTIVE ACTION OR ACTION PLAN: ______________________________________________________
4. Drug Stock

Yes No N/A

☐ ☐ ☐ 4.1. The drug stock is clean, orderly, properly stored, properly labeled and in-date. (B&PC 4342, H&SC 111255, CCR 1714 (b), 22 CCR 70263[q])

☐ ☐ ☐ 4.2. All ward/floor drug stock and drug supplies that are maintained for access when the pharmacist is not available are properly labeled and stored. (22 CCR 70263[n])

☐ ☐ ☐ 4.3. Preferentially priced drugs are furnished solely or predominately to inpatients in accordance with provisions of the Nonprofit Institutions Act (15 USC 13c). Such drugs also may be dispensed pursuant to prescriptions for inpatients at the time of discharge, for employees of the hospital, or on an emergency basis for a walk-in customer (provided that sales to walk-ins do not exceed one percent of the pharmacy’s total prescription sales). (B&PC 4380, CCR 1710[a])

☐ ☐ ☐ 4.4. All unit-dose drugs received from a centralized hospital packaging pharmacy are correctly labeled, are barcoded, and the barcode is readable at the patient’s bedside. (B&PC 4128.4, 4128.5)

☐ ☐ ☐ 4.5. All drugs are maintained in accordance with national standards regarding the storage area and refrigerator or freezer temperature and manufacturer’s guidelines. (B&PC 4119.7[b])

CORRECTIVE ACTION OR ACTION PLAN: ______________________________________________________

5. Pharmacies That Donate Drugs to a Voluntary County-Approved Drug Repository and Distribution Program

Yes No N/A

☐ ☐ ☐ 5.1. The hospital pharmacy donates medications to a county-approved drug repository and distribution program, and meets the following requirements: (H&SC 150202, 150202.5, 150204)

☐ 5.1.1. The hospital pharmacy is licensed by and is not on probation with the California State Board of Pharmacy, and (H&SC 150202.5)

☐ 5.1.2. The hospital pharmacy’s primary or sole type of pharmacy practice is limited to skilled nursing facility, home health care, board and care, or mail order. (H&SC 150202.5)

☐ ☐ ☐ 5.2. No controlled substances shall be donated. (H&SC 150204[c][1])

☐ ☐ ☐ 5.3. Drugs that are donated are unused, unexpired and meet the following requirements: (H&SC 150202.5, 150204[c])

☐ 5.3.1. Have not been adulterated, misbranded, or stored under conditions contrary to standards set by the USP or the product manufacturer. (H&SC 150204[c][2])

☐ 5.3.2. Were received directly from a manufacturer or wholesaler. (H&SC 150202.5[a])
5.3.3. Were centrally stored and under the control of a health facility staff member, and were never in the possession of a patient or individual member of the public. (H&SC 150202.5[b], 150204[c][3])

5.3.4. Are in unopened, tamper-evident packaging or modified unit dose containers with lot numbers and expiration dates affixed. (H&SC 105204[d])

5.3.5. For donated medications that require refrigeration, are medications that are stored, packaged and transported at appropriate temperatures and in accordance with USP standards and pharmacy law. (H&SC 150204[m])

5.4. The hospital pharmacy follows the same procedural drug pedigree requirements for donated drugs as it does for drugs purchased from a wholesaler or directly from a drug manufacturer. (H&SC 150204[n])

6. Pharmacist-in-Charge (PIC)

Yes No N/A

6.1. The pharmacy has a PIC who is responsible for the daily operation of the pharmacy. (B&PC 4101, 4113, 4305, 4330, CCR 709, 1709.1)

6.2. The PIC has adequate authority to assure the pharmacy’s compliance with laws governing the operation of a pharmacy (CCR 1709.1[b])

6.3. Is the PIC in charge of another pharmacy?
   - If yes, the pharmacies are within 50 driving distance miles of each other. (CCR 1709.1[c])
   - If yes, name of other pharmacy ____________________________

6.4. Any change of PIC is reported by the pharmacy and the departing PIC to the board in writing within 30 days. (B&PC 4101, 4330)

6.5. Is the PIC serving concurrently as the designated representative-in-charge for a wholesaler or veterinary food-animal retailer? (CCR 1709.1[d])
   - If yes, name the wholesaler or veterinary food-animal retailer. ____________________________

CORRECTIVE ACTION OR ACTION PLAN: ____________________________________________________________

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7. Duties of a Pharmacist

Yes No N/A

7.1. Within the scope of the inpatient pharmacy service, the pharmacist receives a chart order for an inpatient; identifies, evaluates and interprets the chart order; reviews patient’s drug regimen and interprets the clinical data in the patient’s medication record; consults with any prescriber, nurse or health care professional; calculates drug doses; supervises the packaging of drugs and checks the packaging procedures and products upon completion; is responsible for all activities of pharmacy technicians, interns and clerks related to the furnishing of drugs to ensure
that all such activities are performed completely, safely and without risk of harm to patients; performs any other duty which federal or state law or regulation authorizes only a registered pharmacist to perform; and performs all functions which require professional judgment. (B&P C 4052, 4052.2, CCR 1793.1) Only a pharmacist: (BPC 4052, BPC 4052.2, CCR 1717(c), CCR 1793.1)

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Pharmacists in a licensed health care facility who are performing the following functions are doing so in accordance with the hospital’s policies, procedures and protocols which have been developed by health professionals including physicians, pharmacists, and registered nurses, with the concurrence of the facility administrator: ordering or performing routine drug therapy-related patient assessment procedures; ordering drug therapy-related laboratory tests; administering drugs or biologicals by injection; initiating or adjusting the drug regimen of a patient, and/or performing moderate or waived laboratory tests. Prior to performing any of these functions, the pharmacist must have either (1) successfully completed clinical residency training, or (2) demonstrated clinical experience in direct patient care delivery as specified in B&P C section 4052.2. Pharmacists in a licensed health care facility who are performing the following functions are doing so in accordance with the hospital’s policies, procedures and protocols which have been developed by health professionals including physicians, pharmacists, and registered nurses, with the concurrence of the facility administrator: (B&P C 4027, 4051, 4052, 4052.2)

- Ordering or performing routine drug therapy-related patient assessment procedures;
- Ordering drug therapy-related laboratory tests; administering drugs or biologicals by injection;
- Initiating or adjusting the drug regimen of a patient;
- Performing moderate or waived laboratory tests. (Prior to performing any of these functions, the pharmacist must have either (1) successfully completed...
7.3. The pharmacist who is authorized to issue an order to initiate or adjust a controlled substance therapy is personally registered with the federal Drug Enforcement Administration. (B&PC 4052[b])

CORRECTIVE ACTION OR ACTION PLAN: ____________________________________________________________

8. Duties of an Advanced Practice Pharmacist

Yes No N/A

8.1. The pharmacist who is authorized to issue an order to initiate or adjust a controlled substance therapy is personally registered with the federal Drug Enforcement Administration. (B&PC 4052[b])

8.2.8.1 The advance practice pharmacist has received an advance practice pharmacist recognition license by from the board and may do the following: (B&PC 4016.5, 4210)

- 8.2.1 8.1.1 Perform patient assessments, order and interpret drug therapy-related tests, and refer patients to other health care providers; (B&PC 4052.6[a])
- 8.2.1 8.1.2 Participate in the evaluation and management of diseases and health conditions in collaboration with other health care providers; (B&PC 4052.6[a])
- 8.2.1 8.1.3 Initiate drug therapy and promptly transmit written notification to, or enter the appropriate information into a patient record system shared with the patient’s primary care provider or diagnosing provider; (B&PC 4052.6[b])
- 8.2.1 8.1.4 Adjust or discontinue drug therapy and promptly transmit written notification to the patient’s diagnosing prescriber or enters the appropriate information in a patient’s record system shared with the prescriber; (B&PC 4052.6[b])
- 8.2.1 8.1.5 Prior to initiating or adjusting a controlled substance therapy, the advance practice pharmacist is personally registered with the federal Drug Enforcement Administration; (B&PC 4052.6[d])
- 8.2.1 8.1.6 Ordering of tests is done in coordination with the patient’s primary care provider or diagnosing prescriber, including promptly transmitting written notification to the prescriber or entering information in a patient record system shared with the prescriber. (B&PC 4052.6[e])

9. Duties of an Intern Pharmacist

Yes No N/A

9.1. Intern pharmacists are performing all the functions of a pharmacist only under the direct supervision of a pharmacist, and the pharmacist is supervising no more than two interns at any one time. (B&PC 4023.5, 4030, 4114, 4119.6, 4119.7, CCR 1726)
9.1.1 Stock, replenish and inspect the emergency pharmaceutical supply container and the emergency medical system supplies. (B&PC 4119.6)

9.1.2 Inspect the drugs maintained in the health care facility at least once per month. (B&PC 4119.7[c])

Yes No N/A
9.2. All prescriptions filled or refilled by an intern are initialed or documented by secure computer entry by a pharmacist prior to dispensing. (CCR 1712[a], 1717[b][1])

Yes No N/A
9.3. During a temporary absence of a pharmacist for a meal period or duty free break, an intern pharmacist does not perform any discretionary duties or act as a pharmacist. (CCR 1714.1[d])

Yes No N/A
9.4. The intern hours affidavits are signed by the pharmacist under whom the experience was earned when applicable. (B&PC 4209, CCR 1726)

CORRECTIVE ACTION OR ACTION PLAN: ____________________________________________________________

10. Duties of a Pharmacy Technician

Yes No N/A
10.1. Registered pharmacy technicians are performing packaging, manipulative, repetitive, or other nondiscretionary tasks related to the furnishing of drugs, while assisting and under the direct supervision and control of a pharmacist. (B&PC 4023.5, 4038, 4115, CCR 1793.2)

Yes No N/A
10.2. The ratio is no less than one pharmacist to two technicians. (B&PC 4115[g], CCR 1793.7)

10.3. The ratio for technicians performing the tasks above, related to the furnishing of drugs to inpatients, does not exceed one pharmacist on duty for two technicians on duty. However, when prescriptions are dispensed to discharge patients with only one pharmacist, there is no more than one technician performing the tasks as defined in B&PC 4115(a). The ratio of pharmacy technicians performing those tasks for additional pharmacists does not exceed 2:1. (B&PC 4038, 4115, CCR 1793.7[f])

Yes No N/A
10.4. Any function performed by a technician in connection with the dispensing of a prescription or chart order, including repackaging from bulk and storage of pharmaceuticals is verified and documented in writing by a pharmacist or documented by a pharmacist using secure computer entry. (CCR 1712, 1793.7)

10.5. A pharmacy technician or pharmacy technician trainee wears identification, in 18-point type that identifies him or herself as a pharmacy technician or pharmacy technician trainee. (B&PC 680, B&PC 4115.5[e], CCR 1793.7[d])

10.6. The pharmacy has a job description for the pharmacy technician and written policies and procedures to ensure compliance with the technician requirements. (CCR 1793.7)

10.6. The ratio is no less than one pharmacist to two technicians. (B&PC 4115[g], CCR 1793.7)
10.7. During a temporary absence of a pharmacist for a meal period or duty free break, a pharmacy technician may, at the discretion of the pharmacist, remain in the pharmacy but may only perform nondiscretionary tasks. Any task performed by the pharmacy technician during the pharmacist’s temporary absence is reviewed by the pharmacist. (B&PC 4115[g], CCR 1714.1[c])

Yes No N/A

10.8. The general acute-care hospital has an ongoing clinical pharmacy program and allows specially trained pharmacy technicians to check the work of other pharmacy technicians when the following conditions are met: (CCR 1793.8)

- 10.8.1. Pharmacists are deployed to the inpatient care setting to provide clinical services.
- 10.8.2. Compounded or repackaged products are previously checked by a pharmacist, then used by the technician to fill unit dose distribution and floor and ward stock.
- 10.8.3. The overall operations are the responsibility of the pharmacist-in-charge.
- 10.8.4. The pharmacy technician checking technician program is under the direct supervision of the Pharmacist as specified in the policies and procedures.
- 10.8.5. There is an ongoing evaluation of the program that uses specialized and advanced trained pharmacy technicians to check the work of other pharmacy technicians.

10.9. Pharmacy technician duties include the following:

- 10.9.1. Package emergency supplies for use in the health care facility and the hospital’s emergency medical system. (B&PC 4119, 4115[i])
- 10.9.2. Seal emergency containers for use in the health care facility. (B&PC 4115[i])
- 10.9.3. Perform monthly checks of the drug supplies stored throughout the health care facility and report any irregularities within 24 hours to the pharmacist-in-charge and to the director or chief executive officer. (B&PC 4115[i])

CORRECTIVE ACTION OR ACTION PLAN: ____________________________________________________________

11. Duties of Non-Licensed Personnel

Yes No N/A

11.1. A non-licensed person (clerk/typist) is permitted to type a prescription label or otherwise enter prescription information into a computer record system, and at the direction of a pharmacist, may request and receive refill authorization. (B&P 4007, CCR 1793.3)

11.2. The number of non-licensed personnel supervised by each pharmacist does not interfere with the effective performance of the pharmacist’s responsibilities under the Pharmacy Law. (CCR 1793.3[b])

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12. Pharmaceutical Service Requirements

Yes No N/A

12.1. The pharmacy complies with the requirements of 22 CCR 70263, addressing the following areas in written policies and procedures:

☐ 12.1.1. Basic information concerning investigational drugs and adverse drug reactions;
☐ 12.1.2. Repackaging and compounding records;
☐ 12.1.3. Physician orders;
☐ 12.1.4. Wards, nursing stations and night stock medications;
☐ 12.1.5. Drugs brought into the facility by patients for storage or use;
☐ 12.1.6. Bedside medications;
☐ 12.1.7. Emergency drug supply;
☐ 12.1.8. Pass medications;
☐ 12.1.9. Inspection of ward stock, nursing stations and night lockers no less frequently than every 30-days\Outdated drugs;
☐ 12.1.10. Routine distribution of inpatient medications;
☐ 12.1.11. Preparation, labeling and distribution of IV admixtures and cytotoxic agents;
☐ 12.1.12. Handling of medication when pharmacist not on duty; and
☐ 12.1.13. Use of electronic image and data order transmissions.

Yes No N/A

12.2. The pharmacy complies with the requirements of 22 CCR 70263, addressing the following areas:

☐ 12.2.1. Destruction of controlled substances; and
☐ 12.2.2. Development and maintenance of the hospital’s formulary. (22 CCR 70263, CCR 1751, CCR 1751.8)

CORRECTIVE ACTION OR ACTION PLAN: ____________________________________________________________
13. Medication/Chart Order

Yes No N/A

☐ ☐ ☐ 13.1. The pharmacy receives the original, the electronic transmission, or a copy of the medication order. Faxed copies, tele-autograph copies, or transmissions between computers are permissible. (B&PC 4019, 4040, CCR 1717.4)

☐ ☐ ☐ 13.2. The chart or medical record of the patient contains all of the information required by B&PC 4040 and the chart order is signed by the practitioner authorized by law to prescribe drugs if present or, if not present, within a specified time frame not exceeding 48 hours. (B&PC 4019, 4040, 22 CCR 70263[g])

Yes No N/A

☐ ☐ ☐ 13.3. A copy of the chart order is maintained on the premises for three years. (B&PC 4081, 4105, 4333)

☐ ☐ ☐ 13.4. The pharmacy furnishes dangerous drugs or dangerous devices pursuant to preprinted or electronic standing orders, order sets and protocols established under policies and procedures. (B&PC 4119.7)

CORRECTIVE ACTION OR ACTION PLAN: ____________________________________________________________

14. Labeling and Distribution

Yes No N/A

☐ ☐ ☐ 14.1. Unit dose medication and compounded preparations are properly labeled and include the information as required by B&PC 4076, or the information is otherwise readily available at the time of drug administration. (B&PC 4076, CCR 1735.4, CCR 1751.2)

☐ ☐ ☐ 14.2. The pharmacist is responsible for the proper labeling, storage and distribution of investigational drugs pursuant to the written order of the investigator. (22 CCR 70263[o]).

☐ ☐ ☐ 14.3. This pharmacy furnishes dangerous drugs in compliance with B&PC 4126.5 only to a patient pursuant to a prescription, a wholesaler from whom the dangerous drugs were purchased, a manufacturer from whom the drugs were purchased, a licensed wholesaler acting as a reverse distributor, another pharmacy to alleviate a temporary shortage with a quantity sufficient to alleviate the temporary shortage, a health care provider authorized to receive drugs, to another pharmacy of common ownership, or to a patient or to another pharmacy pursuant to a prescription. (B&PC 4126.5)

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Initials
15. Duration of Drug Therapy

Yes No N/A

☐☒☐ 15.1. The hospital has policies limiting the duration of drug therapy in the absence of the prescriber’s specific indication of duration of drug therapy or under other circumstances recommended by the pharmacy and therapeutics committee or its equivalent and approved by the executive committee of the medical staff. Limitations are established for classes of drugs and/or individual drug entities. (22 CCR 70263[j])

CORRECTIVE ACTION OR ACTION PLAN: ____________________________________________________________

16. Confidentiality of Chart Orders, Prescriptions and Patient Medical Information

Yes No N/A

☐☒☐ 16.1. Patient information is maintained to safeguard confidentiality. (Civil Code 56 et seq.)

☐☒☐ 16.2. Patient medical information, all prescriptions (chart orders, patient discharge and employee prescriptions) are confidential and are not disclosed unless authorized by law. (B&PC 4040, CCR 1764, Civil Code 56 et seq.)

☐☒☐ 16.3. Destruction or disposal of patient records preserves the confidentiality of the information contained therein. (Civil Code 56.101)

☐☒☐ 16.4. The pharmacy ensures electronically transmitted prescriptions (chart orders, discharge patient or employee prescriptions) are received, maintained and transmitted in a secure and confidential manner. (CCR 1717.4)

☐☒☐ 16.5. Records stored off-site (only for pharmacies who have obtained a waiver from the Board of Pharmacy to store records off-site) are secure and retrievable within two business days. Records for non-controlled substances are maintained on the licensed premises for at least one year from the date of dispensing. Controlled substances are maintained on the licensed premises for at least two years from the date of dispensing. (CCR 1707, B&PC 4105)

Date Waiver Approved __________________ Waiver Number _____________

Address of offsite storage location: ___________________________________________

CORRECTIVE ACTION OR ACTION PLAN: ____________________________________________________________
17. Quality Assurance and Medication Errors

Yes No N/A

☐ ☐ ☐ 17.1. Pharmacy has established quality assurance program that documents medication errors attributable, in whole or in part, to the pharmacy or its personnel. (B&PC 4125, CCR 1711)

☐ ☐ ☐ 17.2. Pharmacy quality assurance policies and procedures are maintained in the pharmacy and are immediately retrievable. (CCR 1711[c])

☐ ☐ ☐ 17.3. When a medication error has occurred (drug was administered to or by the patient, or resulted in a clinically significant delay in therapy) the pharmacist communicates with the patient or patient’s agent that a medication error has occurred and the steps required to avoid injury or mitigate the error. (CCR 1711[c][2][A], 1711 [c][3])

Yes No N/A

☐ ☐ ☐ 17.4. When a medication error has occurred (drug was administered to or by the patient, or resulted in a clinically significant delay in therapy) the pharmacist communicates to the prescriber that a medication error has occurred. (CCR 1711[c][2][B], 1711 [c][3])

☐ ☐ ☐ 17.5. Investigation of pharmacy medication errors is initiated within two business days from the date the medication error is discovered. (CCR 1711[d])

☐ ☐ ☐ 17.6. The record for quality assurance review for a medication error contains: (CCR 1711[e]);
☐ 17.6.1. Date, location, and participants in the quality assurance review;
☐ 17.6.2. Pertinent data and other information related to the medication error(s) reviewed;
☐ 17.6.3. Findings and determinations;
☐ 17.6.4. Recommended changes to pharmacy policy, procedure, systems or processes, if any.

☐ ☐ ☐ 17.7. The record of the quality assurance review is immediately retrievable in the pharmacy and is maintained in the pharmacy for at least one year from the date it was created. (CCR 1711[f])

☐ ☐ ☐ 17.8. Pharmacists are not deviating from the requirements of a prescription except upon the prior consent of the prescriber, and selection of the drug product is in accordance with B&PC 4073 (generic substitution). (CCR 1716)

CORRECTIVE ACTION OR ACTION PLAN: ____________________________________________________________

18. Record Keeping Requirements

Yes No N/A

☐ ☐ ☐ 18.1. All completed biennial pharmacy self-assessments are on file in the pharmacy and is maintained for three years. (CCR 1715)

☐ ☐ ☐ 18.2. All drug acquisition and disposition records (complete accountability) are maintained for at least three years. These records include:
☐ 18.2.1. Prescription records (B&PC 4081[a])
☐ 18.2.2. Purchase Invoices for all prescription drugs (B&PC 4081[b])
18.2.3. Biennial controlled substances inventory (21 CFR 1304.11)

18.2.4. U.S. Official Order Forms (DEA Form- 222) (21 CFR 1305.13)

18.2.5. Power of Attorney for completion of DEA 222 forms (21 CFR 1305.07)

18.2.6. Theft and Loss Reports (DEA Form 106) (21 CFR 1301.74[c])

18.2.7. Record documenting return of drugs to wholesaler or manufacturer (B&PC 4081)

18.2.8. Record documenting transfers or sales to other pharmacies and prescribers (B&PC 4059, 4081, 4105, 4332, CCR 1718)

18.2.9. Centrally stored unused medications donated to a drug repository and distribution program. (H&SC 150200, 150202[a][1]), 150204(k), B&PC 4105(c).

18.3. Transfers or sales to other pharmacies and prescribers do not exceed five percent of the pharmacy's total annual purchases of dangerous drugs or devices. If more than five percent, registration with the board as a wholesaler has been obtained. (21 CFR 1307.11, Prescription Drug Marketing Act [PDMA] [Pub. L. 100-293, Apr. 11, 1988] 503, B&PC 4160)

18.4. If sales or distributions of controlled substances to other hospitals, pharmacies, or prescribers exceed five percent of the total number of controlled substances dosage units (that are furnished to the inpatients or dispensed on prescriptions to discharge patients or employees) per calendar year, the following have been obtained: a separate DEA distributor registration and a wholesaler’s permit from the board. (21 CFR 1307.11, PDMA 503, B&PC 4160)

18.5. A controlled substances inventory is completed biennially (every two years).

Date completed: ____________________ (21 CFR 1304.11)

18.6. All completed controlled substances inventories are available for inspection for three years. (CCR 1718)

18.6 18.7. Separate Schedule II records are maintained. This includes triplicate prescriptions, invoices, US official order forms and inventory records. (21 CFR 1304.04)

18.6 18.8. Inventories and records for Schedule III-V controlled substances are filed separately or maintained in a readily retrievable manner that distinguishes them from other ordinary business records. (21 CFR 1304.04)

18.6 18.9. DEA Forms 222 are properly executed. (21 CFR 1305.12)

18.6 18.10. When the pharmacy distributes Schedule II controlled substances to other DEA registrants, Copy 2 of the DEA Form 222, properly completed, are submitted at the end of each month to the DEA Regional Office. (21 CFR 1305.13)

18.6 18.11. Any controlled substances drug loss is reported upon discovery to the DEA and to the Board of Pharmacy within 30 days. (21 CFR 1301.74[c], CCR 1715.6)

18.6 18.12. Records stored off-site (only for pharmacies who have obtained a waiver from the Board of Pharmacy to store records off-site) are secure and retrievable within two business days. Records for non-controlled substances are maintained on the licensed premises for at least one
year from the date of dispensing. Controlled substances are maintained on the licensed premises for at least two years from the date of dispensing. (CCR 1707)

☐ ☐ ☐ 18.6.18.13. Do pharmacy staff hand initial prescription records and prescription labels, OR

☐ ☐ ☐ 18.6.18.14. Does the pharmacy comply with the requirement for a pharmacist to initial or sign a prescription record or prescription label by recording the identity of the reviewing pharmacist in a computer system by a secure means. This computer does not permit the record to be altered after made and the record of the pharmacist’s identity made in the computer system is immediately retrievable in the pharmacy. (CCR 1712)

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19. After-Hours Supply of Medication

Yes No N/A

☐ ☐ ☐ 19.1. The pharmacy maintains a record of the drugs taken from the after-hours supply of medications and the pharmacist is notified of such use. The record includes the name and strength of the drug, the amount taken, the date and time, the name of the patient to whom the drug was administered and the signature of the registered nurse. (22 CCR 70263[n])

CORRECTIVE ACTION OR ACTION PLAN: ____________________________________________________________

20. Drug Supplies for Use in Medical Emergencies

Yes No N/A

☐ ☐ ☐ 20.1. A supply of drugs for use in medical emergencies only is immediately available at each nursing unit or service area as required. (22 CCR 70263[f])

☐ ☐ ☐ 20.2. Written policies and procedures have been developed that establish the contents of the supply, procedures for use, restocking and sealing of the emergency drug supply. (22 CCR 70263[f][1])

☐ ☐ ☐ 20.3. The emergency drug supply is stored in a clearly marked portable container which is sealed by the pharmacist in such a manner that a seal must be broken to gain access to the drugs. The contents of the container are listed on the outside cover and include the earliest expiration date of any drugs within. (22 CCR 70263[f][2])

☐ ☐ ☐ 20.4. The pharmacist is responsible for inspection of the drug supply at periodic intervals (no less frequently than every 30 days) specified in the written policies. Records of the inspection are kept for at least three years. (22 CCR 70263[f][3])

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21. Schedule II-V Controlled Substances Floor Stock Distribution Records
Yes No N/A
☐ ☐ ☐ 21.1. Records for the distribution of Schedule II-V controlled substances floor stock are open to inspection by authorized officers of the law and are preserved for at least three years from the date of making. (B&PC 4081)

CORRECTIVE ACTION OR ACTION PLAN: ____________________________________________________________

22. Emergency Room Dispensing
Yes No N/A
☐ ☐ ☐ 22.1. A prescriber may dispense a dangerous drug, including a controlled substance, to an emergency room patient if all of the following apply: (B&PC 4068[a])
☐ 22.1.1. The hospital pharmacy is closed and there is no pharmacist available in the hospital;
☐ 22.1.2. The dangerous drug is acquired by the hospital pharmacy;
☐ 22.1.3. The dispensing information is recorded and provided to the pharmacy when the pharmacy reopens;
☐ 22.1.4. The hospital pharmacy retains the dispensing information and, if the drug is a schedule II, III or IV controlled substance, reports the dispensing information to the Department of Justice pursuant to Section 11165 of the Health and Safety Code;
☐ 22.1.5. The prescriber determines that it is in the best interest of the patient that a particular drug regimen be immediately commenced or continued, and the prescriber reasonably believes that a pharmacy located outside the hospital is not available and accessible at the time of dispensing to the patient; and
☐ 22.1.6. The quantity of drugs dispensed to any patient pursuant to this section are limited to that amount necessary to maintain uninterrupted therapy during the period when pharmacy services outside the hospital are not readily available or accessible, but shall not exceed a 72-hour supply;

☐ ☐ ☐ 22.2. The prescriber shall ensure that the label on the drug contains all the information required by Section 4076. (B&PC 4068[a][7])

☐ ☐ ☐ 22.3. The prescriber shall be responsible for any error or omission related to the drugs dispensed. (B&PC 4068[b])
22.4. The brand name or generic name and manufacturer of the prescription drug is accurately identified on the label and prescription record. (B&PC 4076, CCR 1717)

22.5. Controlled substances are dispensed in prescription containers bearing a federal warning label prohibiting transfer of the drugs. (CFR 290.5)

22.6. Prescriptions are dispensed in new, senior-adult ease -of-opening tested, and child-resistant containers or in a noncomplying package, only pursuant to the prescription or when requested by the purchaser. (15 USC 1473 section 4[b], 16 CFR 1700.15., CCR 1717)

22.7. Patient package inserts are dispensed with all estrogen medications (21 CFR 310.515)

22.8. The pharmacy provides patients with Black Box Warning Information in conformance with 21 CFR 201.57[c].

22.9. Medication guides are provided on required medications. (21 CFR 208.1)

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23. Discharge Medication/Consultation Services

Yes No N/A

23.1. Patients receive information regarding each medication given at the time of discharge. The information includes the use and storage of each medication, the precautions and relevant warnings and the importance of compliance with directions. A written policy has been developed in collaboration with a physician and surgeon, a pharmacist, and a registered nurse and approved by the medical staff that ensures that each patient receives the medication consultation. (B&PC 4074, CCR 1707.2)

23.2. Prescriptions are transmitted to another pharmacy as required by law. (B&PC 4072, CCR 1717[f], 1717.4)

23.3. The prescription label contains all the required information and is formatted in accordance with CCR 1707.5. (B&PC 4076, CCR 1707.5)

23.4. If requested by the patient, the prescription label is printed in 12-point typeface. (CCR 1707.5[a])

23.5. The pharmacy is exempt from the prescription label requirements in CCR 1707.5.

________________________ Exemption approved by board from: ____________ to ____________

23.64. Appropriate drug warnings are provided orally or in writing. (B&PC 4074, CCR 1744)

23.75. The trade name or generic name and manufacturer of the prescription drug is accurately identified on the label and prescription record. (B&PC 4076, CCR 1717)
23.86. Generic substitution for discharge medications is communicated to the patient, and the name of the dispensed drug product is indicated on the prescription label. (B&PC 4073)

23.97. If the prescription is filled by a pharmacy technician, the pharmacist’s initials are on the prescription label to document the pharmacist’s verification of the product. (B&PC 4115[f], CCR 1793.7)

23.108. Controlled substances are dispensed in prescription containers bearing a federal warning label prohibiting transfer of the drugs. (21 CFR 290.5)

23.119. Prescriptions are dispensed in a new and child-resistant container, or senior-adult ease-of-opening tested container, or in a non-complying package only pursuant to the prescriber or when requested by the purchaser. (25 USC 1473 section 4[b], 16 CFR 1700.15, CCR 1717)

23.121. Patient package inserts are dispensed with all estrogen medications. (21 CFR 310.515)

23.131. The pharmacy provides patients with Black Box Warning Information in conformance with 21 CFR 201.57[c].

23.142. Medication guides are provided on required medications. (21 CFR 208.1)

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24. Central Filling of Patient Cassettes For Other Hospital Pharmacies

Yes No N/A

24.1. Pharmacy processes orders for the filling of patient cassettes for another hospital or Pharmacy receives filled medication orders or patient cassettes from another hospital. (CCR 1710[b])

   If the answer is “yes,” name of hospital: __________________________________________________________

24.2. Pharmacy receives filled medication containers or cassettes from another pharmacy. (CCR 1710[b])

   If the answer is “yes,” name of supplying pharmacy:

   If the answer to this and the previous question is “no” or “not applicable” go to Section 23.

24.3. Prescription information is electronically transferred between the two pharmacies (CCR 1710[b][6])

24.4. Pharmacy has a contract with the ordering hospital pharmacy or has the same owner. (CCR 1710[b][1])
24.5. Filled cassettes are delivered directly to the ordering hospital pharmacy. (CCR 1710[b][2])

24.6. Each cassette or container meets the requirements of Business and Professions Code section 4076 (CCR 1710[b][3])

24.7. Complete and accurate records are maintained of each cassette fill transaction, including the name of the pharmacist checking the cassettes at each pharmacy. (CCR 1710[b][5])

25. Centralized Hospital Packaging Pharmacy

Yes No N/A

25.1. The pharmacy prepares medications, by performing the following specialize functions, for administration only to inpatients within its own general acute care hospital and one or more general acute care hospitals under common ownership and located packages unit dose medication for inpatients of one or more hospitals under common ownership within a 75-mile radius: (B&PC 4128)

*Hospitals to which central packaged unit dose medications are provided:*

- 25.1.1. ______________________________________   Distance (miles): ________
- 25.1.2. ______________________________________   Distance (miles): ________
- 25.1.3. ______________________________________   Distance (miles): ________
- 25.1.4. ______________________________________   Distance (miles): ________
- 25.1.5 Prepares unit dose packages for single administration to inpatients from bulk containers, if each unit dose package is barcoded pursuant to Section 4128.4.
- 25.1.6 Prepares sterile compounded unit dose drugs for administration to inpatients, if each unit dose drug is barcoded pursuant to Section 4128.4.
- 25.1.7 Prepares compounded unit dose drugs for administration to inpatients, if each unit dose package is barcoded pursuant to Section 4128.4.

25.2. The pharmacy prepares and stores limited quantities of unit-dose drugs in advance of a patient-specific prescription in amounts necessary to ensure continuity of care. (B&PC 4128.3)

25.3. All unit dose medications produced by a centralized hospital packaging pharmacy are barcoded and readable to be machine readable at the inpatient’s bedside using barcode medication administrative software. The barcode information contains the required information: (B&PC 4128.4)

- 25.3.1. The date the medication was prepared. The barcode medication administration software shall permit health care practitioners to ensure, before a medication is administered to an inpatient, it is the right medication, for the right inpatient, in the right dose, and via the right route of administration.
- 25.3.2. The components used in the drug product. The software verifies that the medication satisfies the above criteria by reading the barcode on the medication and comparing the information retrieved to the electronic medical record of the patient.
- 25.3.3. The lot number or control number.
☐ 25.3.4. The expiration date.
☐ 25.3.5. The National Drug Code Directory number.
☐ 25.3.6. The name of the centralized hospital packaging pharmacy.

Yes No N/A
☐ ☐ ☐ 25.4. The Any label for each unit dose medication produced by a centralized hospital packaging pharmacy contains the expiration date, the established name of the drug, the quantity of the active ingredient, and special storage or handling requirements displays a human-readable label that contains the following: (B&PC 4128.5)

☐ 25.4.1 The date the medication was prepared.
☐ 25.4.2 The beyond-use date
☐ 25.4.3 The established name of the drug.
☐ 25.4.4 The quantity of each active ingredient.
☐ 25.4.6 The lot number or control number assigned by the centralized hospital packaging pharmacy.
☐ 25.4.5 Special storage or handling requirements.
☐ 25.4.7 The name of the centralized hospital packaging pharmacy.

☐ ☐ ☐ 25.5 The pharmacist is able to retrieve all of the following information using the lot number or control number: (B&PC 4128.5)

☐ 25.5.1 The components used in the drug product.
☐ 25.5.2 The expiration date of each of the drug’s components.
☐ 25.5.3 The National Drug Code Directory number.

☐ ☐ ☐ 25.56. The centralized hospital packaging pharmacy and the pharmacists working in the pharmacy are responsible for the integrity, potency, quality, and labeled strength of any unit dose drug product prepared by the centralized hospital packaging pharmacy. (B&PC 4128.7)

CORRECTIVE ACTION OR ACTION PLAN: ____________________________________________________________

26. Policies and Procedures

Yes No N/A
☐ ☐ ☐ 26.1. There are written policies and procedures in place for:
☐ 26.1.1. The assurance that each patient received information regarding each medication given at the time of discharge.

☐ 26.1.2. Action to be taken to protect the public when a licensed individual employed by or with the pharmacy is known to be chemically, mentally, or physically impaired to the extent that it effects his or her ability to practice the profession or occupation authorized by his or her license. (B&PC 4104[a])

☐ 26.1.3. Action to be taken to protect the public when a licensed individual employed by or with the pharmacy is known to have engaged in the theft or diversion or self-use of prescription drugs belonging to the pharmacy. (B&PC 4104[b])

☐ 26.1.4. Addressing chemical, mental, or physical impairment, as well as, theft, diversion, or self-use of dangerous drugs, among licensed individual employees by or with the pharmacy. (B&PC 4104[b])

☐ 26.1.5. Reporting to the board within 14 days of the receipt or development of information as specified in B&PC 4104[c][1-6].

☐ 26.1.6. Oral consultation for discharge medications to an inpatient of a health care facility licensed pursuant to H&SC 1250, or to an inmate of an adult correctional facility or juvenile detention facility. (B&PC 4074, CCR 1707.2[b][3])

☐ 26.1.7. Operation of the pharmacy during the temporary absence of the pharmacist for breaks and meal periods including authorized duties of personnel, pharmacist’s responsibilities for checking all work performed by ancillary staff, and pharmacist’s responsibility for maintaining the security of the pharmacy. (CCR 1714.1[f])

☐ 26.1.8. Assuring confidentiality of medical information if your pharmacy maintains the required dispensing information for prescriptions, other than controlled substances, in a shared common electronic file. (CCR 1717.1[e])

☐ 26.1.9. Helping patients with limited or no English proficiency understand the information on the prescription container label in the patient’s language, including the selected means to identify the patient’s language and providing interpretive services in the patient’s language. (CCR 1707.5)

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27. Compounding

Prior to allowing any drug product to be compounded in a pharmacy, the pharmacist-in-charge must complete the “Compounding Self-Assessment” Form 17M-39 (Rev. 02/12 10/16). (CCR 1735.2[j])
PHARMACIST-IN-CHARGE CERTIFICATION:

I, (please print) _________________________________, RPH # _____________________ hereby certify that I
have completed the self-assessment of this pharmacy of which I am the pharmacist-in-charge. Any deficiency
identified herein will be corrected. I understand that all responses are subject to verification by the Board of
Pharmacy. I further state under penalty of perjury of the laws of the State of California that the information that I
have provided in this self-assessment form is true and correct.

Signature ____________________________________________ Date ____________________________

(Pharmacist-in-Charge)

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT BY HOSPITAL ADMINISTRATOR:

I, (please print) _________________________________, hereby certify under penalty of perjury of the laws of the
State of California that I have read and reviewed this completed self-assessment. I understand that failure to
correct any deficiency identified in this self-assessment could result in the revocation of the pharmacy’s license
issued by the California State Board of Pharmacy.

Signature ____________________________________________ Date ____________________________
The following **Legal References** are used in the self-assessment form. Many of these references can be viewed on the Board of Pharmacy Web site at www.pharmacy.ca.gov (see *Laws and Regulations*), at the California State Law Library, or at other libraries or Internet web sites.

- California Code of Regulations (CCR), Title 16 and Title 24
- Business and Professions Code (B&PC), Chapter 9, Division 2
- Health and Safety Code (H&SC), Division 10, Uniform Controlled Substances Act
- California Code of Regulations (CCR), Chapter 1, Division 5, Title 22
- Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Title 21, Chapter II, Drug Enforcement Administration (www.dea.gov)
WHOLESALE
DANGEROUS DRUGS & DANGEROUS DEVICES
SELF-ASSESSMENT

All legal references used throughout this self-assessment form are explained on page 21.

All references to “drugs” throughout this self-assessment refer to dangerous drugs and dangerous devices as defined in Business & Professions Code (B&PC) section 4022. (http://www.pharmacy.ca.gov/laws_regs/lawbook.pdf).

Wholesaler Name __________________________________________________________
Address _____________________________________________________________________
Phone ______________________________________________________________________
Wholesaler E-mail address ____________________________________________________

Ownership: Please mark one

- sole owner
- partnership
- corporation
- LLC
- non-licensed owner
- Other (please specify) ________________

CA Wholesaler Permit #___________________ Expiration Date______________

Other Permit # _________________________ Expiration Date______________
(Use additional sheets if needed.)

DEA Registration #_______________________ Expiration Date______________

VAWD Accreditation # __________________ Expiration Date______________

Date of most recent DEA Inventory __________________

Hours: Weekdays ______________ Sat __________ Sun __________ 24 Hours

Designated representative-in-charge (DRIC) / pharmacist (RPH) ______________________

DRIC License # / RPH License #________________________ Expiration Date________

Website Address (optional):________________________________________________________
Licensed Wholesaler Staff (designated representative (DR), pharmacist):

1. _________________________ DREXE#/RPH# __________________ ____________ Exp. Date
2. _________________________ DREXE#/RPH# __________________ ____________ Exp. Date
3. _________________________ DREXE#/RPH# __________________ ____________ Exp. Date
4. _________________________ DREXE#/RPH# __________________ ____________ Exp. Date
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9. _________________________ DREXE#/RPH# __________________ ____________ Exp. Date
10. _________________________ DREXE#/RPH# __________________ ____________ Exp. Date
Please mark the appropriate box for each question. If “NO,” enter an explanation on the “CORRECTIVE ACTION OR ACTION PLAN” lines at the end of the section. If more space is needed, add additional sheets.

1. Ownership/Location

Yes No N/A
☐ ☐ ☐ 1.1. Review the current wholesaler permit for this business. Are the listed owners correct and is the listed address correct? If not, please indicate discrepancy. If either is incorrect, notify the board in writing immediately. (B&PC 4160[a][c][f])
Attach a copy of the notification letter to the board to this document.

☐ ☐ ☐ 1.2. Have you established and do you maintain a list of officers, directors, managers and other persons in charge of drug distribution, handling and storage? The list must contain a summary of the duties and qualifications for each job listed. (CCR 1780[f][3]) Please attach a copy of the list to this document. (This list should be dated.)

Note: Upon request, the owner must provide the board with the names of the owners, managers and employees and a brief statement of the capacity in which they are employed. (B&PC 4082)

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2. Facility

2.1. Premises, fixtures and equipment:

Yes No N/A
☐ ☐ ☐ 2.1.1. Are clean and orderly
☐ ☐ ☐ 2.1.2. Are well ventilated
☐ ☐ ☐ 2.1.3. Are free from rodents and insects
☐ ☐ ☐ 2.1.4. Are adequately lit
☐ ☐ ☐ 2.1.5. Have plumbing in good repair
☐ ☐ ☐ 2.1.6. Have temperature & humidity monitoring to assure compliance with USP Standards. (The standards for various drugs may differ, see USP 1990 22nd Edition) (CCR 1780[b])

☐ ☐ ☐ 2.2. Is there a quarantine area for outdated, damaged, deteriorated, or misbranded drugs, drugs with the outer or secondary seal broken, partially used containers, or any drug returned under conditions that cast doubt on the drugs safety, identity, strength, quality or purity? (CCR 1780[e])
2.3. Are dangerous drugs and dangerous devices stored in a secured and locked area? 
(CCR 1780[a])

2.4. Is access to areas where dangerous drugs are stored limited to authorized 
personnel? (CCR 1780[c])

List personnel with keys to the area(s) where drugs are stored (list by name or job title):

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2.5. Does this business operate only when a designated representative or pharmacist is 
on the premises? (CCR 1781)

2.6. The wholesale premises is equipped with the following specific security features:

   2.6.1. There is an alarm to detect after-hours entry. (CCR 1780[c][1]).
   2.6.2. The outside perimeter of the building is well lit (CCR 1780[c][3]).
   2.6.3. The security system provides protection against theft and diversion 
           including tampering with computers and or electronic records. 
           (CCR 1780[c][2]).

Explain how your security system complies with these requirements.

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2.7. Is this business a “reverse distributor”, that is, does the business act as an agent 
for pharmacies, drug wholesalers, third-party logistics provider, manufacturers 
and others, by receiving, inventorying and managing the disposition of outdated 
or nonsalable drugs? (B&PC 4040.5)

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2.8. The facility is subscribed to the board’s email notifications. (B&PC 4013)

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Email address registered with the board: ______________________

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2.9. The facility receives the board’s email notifications through the owner’s electronic notice system. (B&PC 4013[c])

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3. Designated Representative-in-Charge / Owner Responsibilities

3.1. The owner and the designated representative-in-charge are both equally responsible for maintenance of the records and inventory. (B&PC 4081[b])

3.2. Is the designated representative-in-charge at least 18 years of age and is responsible for the wholesaler’s compliance with all state and federal laws for the wholesale distribution of drugs? The designated representative-in-charge may be a pharmacist. (B&PC 4160[d], 4053.1(b))

3.3. The owner must notify the board within 30 days of termination of the designated representative-in-charge or pharmacist. (B&PC 4305.5[a])

3.4. The owner must identify and notify the board of the appointment of a new designated representative-in-charge within 30 days of the termination of the former designated representative-in-charge. (B&PC 4160[d], 4331[c]) The appropriate form for this notification is a “Change of Designated Representative-in-Charge,” which is available on the board’s website.
3.5. The designated representative-in-charge who ends his or her employment at a wholesaler, must notify the board within 30 days. (B&PC 4305.5[c], 4101[b]). This notification is in addition to that required of the owner.

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4. Designated Representative/Pharmacist

Yes No N/A

☐ ☐ ☐ If a designated representative or pharmacist changes his/her name or personal address of record, he/she must notify the board in writing within 30 days. (B&PC 4100, CCR 1704)

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5. Ordering Drugs by this Business for Future Sale/Transfer or Trade

Yes No N/A

☐ ☐ ☐ Are drugs ordered only from a business licensed by this board or from a licensed manufacturer? (B&PC 4163[b], 4169)

☐ ☐ ☐ If drugs are returned to your premises by a business that originally purchased the drugs from you, do you document the return with an acquisition record for your business and a disposition record for the business returning the drugs? (B&PC 4081, 4332)

☐ ☐ ☐ For license verification, the wholesaler may use the licensing information displayed on the board’s Internet web site. (B&PC 4106)

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6. Receipt of Drugs by this Business

Yes No N/A

☐ ☐ ☐ 6.1. When drugs are received by your business, are they delivered to the licensed wholesale premises, and received by and signed for only by a designated representative or a pharmacist? (B & P 4059.5[a])

☐ ☐ ☐ 6.2. When drugs are received by your business, are the outside containers visibly inspected to identify the drugs and prevent acceptance of contaminated drugs by detecting container damage? (CCR 1780[d][1])

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7. Drug Stock

Yes No N/A

☐ ☐ ☐ 7.1. Is all drug stock open for inspection during regular business hours? (B&PC 4081[a])

☐ ☐ ☐ 7.2. Are all drugs you order maintained in a secure manner at your licensed wholesale premises? You cannot order, obtain or purchase drugs that you are not able to store on your licensed premises. (B&PC 4167)

☐ ☐ ☐ 7.3. Do all drugs you sell conform to the standards and tests for quality and strength provided in the latest edition of United States Pharmacopoeia or Sherman Food Drug and Cosmetic Act? (B&PC 4342[a])

☐ ☐ ☐ 7.4. Do all drug containers you store on your premises have a manufacturer’s expiration date? Any drug without an expiration date is considered expired and may not be distributed. (CCR 1718.1)

☐ ☐ ☐ 7.5. Are outdated, damaged, deteriorated or misbranded drugs held in a quarantine area physically separated from other drugs until returned to the supplier or sent for destruction? (CCR 1780[e], CFR 1307.21)

☐ ☐ ☐ 7.6. Are drugs with the outer or secondary seal broken, or partially used or returned drugs held in a quarantine area and physically separated from other drugs until returned to the supplier or sent for destruction? (CCR 1780[e], CFR1307.21)
Note: There are specific requirements for wholesaling controlled substances – these additional requirements are in Section 12 of this document.

8. Sale or Transfer of Drugs by this Business

Yes No N/A
☐ ☐ ☐ 8.1. Are drugs sold only to businesses or persons licensed by this board, licensed by a prescriber board, licensed as a manufacturer, or to a licensed health care entity authorized to receive drugs?

8.2. Describe how you verify a business or person is appropriately licensed. (B&PC 4059.5[a][b][d], B&PC 4169)

8.3. List any businesses or individuals that order drugs from you that are not licensed according to the list above:

8.4. Are drugs only furnished by your business to an authorized person? (B&PC 4163[a]) Note: An authorized person can be a business or natural person.

☐ ☐ ☐ 8.5. Does your business only receive drugs from a pharmacy if:
☐ ☐ ☐ 8.5.1. the pharmacy originally purchased the drugs from you?
☐ ☐ ☐ 8.5.2. your business is a “reverse distributor”?
☐ ☐ ☐ 8.5.3. the drugs are needed to alleviate a shortage? (and only a quantity sufficient to alleviate a specific shortage). (B&PC 4126.5[a])
8.6. Are all drugs that are purchased from another business or that are sold, traded or transferred by your business:

☐ ☐ ☐ 8.6.1. transacted with a business licensed with this board as a wholesaler or pharmacy?
☐ ☐ ☐ 8.6.2. free of adulteration as defined by the CA Health & Safety Code section 111250?
☐ ☐ ☐ 8.6.3. free of misbranding as defined by CA Health & Safety Code section 111335?
☐ ☐ ☐ 8.6.4. confirmed to not be beyond their use date (expired drugs)? (B&PC 4169)

8.7. List any incidents where adulterated, misbranded or expired drugs were purchased, sold, traded or transferred by this business in the past 2 years.

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8.8. If your business sells, transfers, or delivers dangerous drugs or devices outside of California, either to another state within the United States or a foreign country, do you:

Yes No N/A

☐ ☐ ☐ 8.8.1. comply with all CA pharmacy laws related to the distribution of drugs?
☐ ☐ ☐ 8.8.2. comply with the pharmacy law of the receiving state within the United States?
☐ ☐ ☐ 8.8.3. comply with the statues and regulations of the Federal Food and Drug Administration and the Drug Enforcement Administration relating to the wholesale distribution of drugs?
☐ ☐ ☐ 8.8.4. comply with all laws of the receiving foreign country related to the wholesale distribution of drugs?
☐ ☐ ☐ 8.8.5. comply with all applicable federal regulations regarding the exportation of dangerous drugs?

8.9. Describe how you determine a business in a foreign country is authorized to receive dangerous drugs or dangerous devices. (B&PC 4059.5[e])

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8.10. When you are not an authorized distributor for a drug, a pedigree must accompany the product when sold, traded, or transferred (Prescription Drug Marketing Act of 1987).

Yes No N/A

☐ ☐ ☐ 8.10. For products included in the Drug Supply Chain Security Act, transaction histories, transaction information, and transaction statements are provided to authorized trading partners when the products are sold, traded, or transferred. (Title II of the DQSA Section 582[c])
8.11. If preferentially priced drugs are sold by your business, that sale complies with the Prescription Drug Marketing Act of 1987 and CA Pharmacy Law. (B&PC 4380)

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8.12. Does your business’ advertisements for dangerous drugs or devices contain false, fraudulent, misleading or deceptive claims? (B&PC 4341, B&PC 651, CCR 1766)

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8.13. Do you offer or receive any rebates, refunds, commissions or preferences, discounts or other considerations for referring patients or customers? If your business has any of these arrangements, please list with whom. (B&PC 650)

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9. Donations of Medication to Voluntary Drug Repository and Distribution Programs (H&SC 150200, 150203, 150204)

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9.1. The wholesaler donates medications to a county-approved drug repository and distribution program, provided the following requirements are met: (H&SC 150203, 150204)

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9.2. No controlled substances shall be donated. (H&SC 150204[c][1])

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9.3.3. Are in unopened, tamper-evident packaging or modified unit dose containers with lot numbers and expiration dates affixed. (H&SC 105204[d])

9.3.4. For donated medications that require refrigeration, are medications that are stored, packaged and transported at appropriate temperatures and in accordance with USP standards and pharmacy law. (H&SC 150204[m])

10. Outgoing Shipments of Drugs

Yes No N/A

10.1. Before you ship drugs to a purchaser, do you inspect the shipment to assure the drugs were not damaged while stored by your business? (CCR 1780[d][2])

10.2. Does your business use a common carrier (a shipping or delivery company — UPS, US Mail, FedEx, DHL) for delivery of drug orders to your customers? (B&PC 4166[a])

10.3. List the common carriers (shipping or delivery companies) you use.

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11. Delivery of Drugs

Yes No N/A

11.1. Are all drugs ordered by a pharmacy or another wholesaler delivered to the address of the buyer’s licensed premises and signed for and received by a pharmacist or designated representative where allowed? (B&PC 4059.5[a])
11.2. Are all drugs ordered by a manufacturer or prescriber delivered to the manufacturer’s or prescriber’s licensed business address and signed for by a person duly authorized by the manufacturer or prescriber? (B&PC 4059.5[d])

11.3. All drugs delivered to a hospital are delivered either to the pharmacy premises or to a central receiving area within the hospital. (B&PC 4059.5[c])

11.4. If drugs are delivered to a pharmacy when the pharmacy is closed and a pharmacist is not on duty, documents are left with the delivery in the secure storage facility, indicating the name and amount of each dangerous drug delivered. (B&PC 4059.5[f])

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12. Controlled Substances

12.1. Are there effective controls to prevent theft or diversion of controlled substances? (CFR 1301.71)

12.2. Are DEA requirements for storage of Schedule II controlled substances being met? (specific requirements are listed in CFR 1301.72[a])

12.3. Are DEA requirements for storage of Schedule III, IV and V controlled substances being met? (specific requirements are listed in CFR 1301.72[b])

12.4. Is a DEA inventory completed by your business every two years for all schedules (II - V) of controlled substances? (CFR 1304.11[a][c][e])

12.5. Is the biennial record of the DEA inventory required for Schedule II – V controlled substances conducted every 2 years, retained for 3 years? (CFR 1304.11, CCR 1718, 1780(f)[2])

12.6. Does the biennial inventory record document that the inventory was taken at the “close of business” or “opening of business.” (CFR 1304.11)

12.7. Has the person within your business who signed the original DEA registration, or the last DEA registration renewal, created a power of attorney for each person allowed to order Schedule II controlled substances for this business? (CFR 1305.05)
12.7.1. List the individuals at this location authorized by power of attorney to order controlled substances.

Yes No N/A

12.8. Does your business follow employee-screening procedures required by DEA to assure the security of controlled substances? (CFR 1301.90)

12.9. If any employee of this business possesses, sells, uses or diverts controlled substances, in addition to the criminal liability you must evaluate the circumstances of the illegal activity and determine what action you should take against the employee. (CFR 1301.92)

12.10. Are all controlled substances purchased, sold or transferred by your business, done so for legitimate medical purposes? (H & S 11153.5[a][b][c])

12.11. If your business distributes controlled substances through an agent (i.e. detail person), do you have adequate security measures in place to prevent theft or diversion of those controlled substances (CFR 1301.74[f])

12.12. If a person attempts to purchase controlled substances from your business and the person is unknown to you, you make a good faith effort to determine the person (individual or business) is appropriately licensed to purchase controlled substances. (CFR 1301.74[a])

12.13. Explain how your business determines an unknown business or individual is appropriately licensed to purchase controlled substances.

12.14. If your business uses a common carrier to deliver controlled substances, your business determines the common carrier has adequate security to prevent the theft or diversion of controlled substances. (CFR 1301.74[f])

12.15. If your business uses a common carrier to deliver controlled substances, are the shipping containers free of any outward indication that there are controlled substances within, to guard against storage or in-transit theft? (CFR 1301.74[e])

12.16. Are all Schedule II controlled substances ordered from your business using a fully completed DEA 222 order form? (CFR 1305.03, 1305.06)
12.17. When your business fills orders for Schedule II controlled substances, is the date filled and the number of containers filled recorded on copies 1 and 2 of DEA 222 form? Is copy 1 retained and copy 2 sent to DEA at the close of the month the controlled substance order was filled? (CFR 1305.13[b])

12.18. If a Schedule II controlled substance order cannot be filled, does your business return copy 1 and 2 of the DEA 222 order form to the buyer with a letter indicating why the order could not be filled? (CFR 1305.15)

12.19. When your business partially fills Schedule II controlled substances, is the balance provided within 60 days of the date of the order form? After the final partial filling, is copy 1 retained in your files and copy 2 of the completed DEA 222 order form sent to DEA by the close of that month? (CFR 1305.13[b])

12.20. For all Schedule II controlled substances received by your business, is copy 3 of the DEA 222 order form completed by writing in for each item received, the date received and the number of containers received? (CFR 1305.13[e])

12.21. Does your business use the online CSOS secure transmission system offered by the Drug Enforcement Administration in place of a paper DEA 222 Form for Schedule II controlled substances? (CFR 1305.21, 1305.22)

12.22. Does your business follow the procedure outlined by DEA to obtain Schedule II controlled substances when the original DEA 222 order form is lost or stolen? (CFR 1305.16(a))

12.23. Are all records of purchase and sale for all schedules of controlled substances for your business kept on your licensed business premises for 3 years from the making? (B&PC 4081, CCR 1718, CFR 1305.17[c], 1305.17[a][b], and H&SC 11252, 11253, 1304.03)

12.24. Are records of Schedule II controlled substances stored separate from all others? (CFR 1304.04[f][1])

12.25. Are records for Schedule III-V controlled substances stored so that they are easily retrievable? (CFR 1304.04[f][2])

12.26. Before your business distributes carfentanil etorphine HCL and or diprenorphine, do you contact the DEA to determine the person (individual or business) is authorized to receive these drugs? (CFR 1301.75[g], 1305.16[b])

12.27. Do you separate records for the sale of carfentanil etorphine hydrochloride and or diprenorphine from all other records? (CFR 1305.17[d])
Yes No N/A

12.28. Does the owner of your business notify the DEA, on a DEA 106 form, of any theft or significant loss of controlled substances upon discovery of the theft? (CFR 1301.74[c])

12.29. Does the owner of your business notify the board of any loss of controlled substances within 30 days of discovering the loss? (CCR 1715.6)

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13. Policies and Procedures

13.1. Does this business maintain and adhere to policies and procedures for the following: (CCR 1780[f])

Yes No N/A

13.1.1. Receipt of drugs
13.1.2. Security of drugs
13.1.3. Storage of drugs (including maintaining records to document proper storage)
13.1.4. Inventory of drug (including correcting inaccuracies in inventories)
13.1.5. Distributing drugs
13.1.6. Identifying, recording and reporting theft or losses
13.1.7. Correcting errors and inaccuracies in inventories
13.1.8. returned, damaged, outdated, deteriorated, misbranded or adulterated drugs
13.1.9. drugs that have been partially used
13.1.10. drugs where the outer or secondary seals on the container have been broken
13.1.11. drugs returned to your business, when there is doubt about the safety, identity, strength, quality, or purity of the drug
13.1.12. drugs where the conditions of return cast doubt on safety, identity, strength, quality or purity (CCR 1780[e][f])

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14. Training

Yes No N/A
☐ ☐ ☐ 14.1 Are training and experience provided to all employees to assure all personnel comply with all licensing requirements? (CCR 1780[f][4])

List the types of training you have provided to staff in the last calendar year and the dates of that training.

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15. Dialysis Drugs

Yes No N/A
☐ ☐ ☐ 15.1. Does your business provide dialysis drugs directly to patients, pursuant to a prescription? (B&PC 4054) (4059[c]) If so, please complete the next 4 questions, if not proceed to Section 15. 16.

☐ ☐ ☐ 15.2. Do home dialysis patients complete a training program provided by a dialysis center licensed by Department of Health Services? Prescriber must provide proof of completion of this training to your business. (B&PC 4059[d])

☐ ☐ ☐ 15.3. Do you have written or oral orders for authorized dialysis drugs for each dialysis patient being serviced. Are such orders received by either a designated representative or a pharmacist? Note: refill orders cannot be authorized for more than 6 months from the date of the original order. (CCR 1787[a][b][c])

☐ ☐ ☐ 15.4. Does your business provide an “expanded invoice” for dialysis drugs dispensed directly to the patient including name of drug, manufacturer, quantities, lot number, date of shipment, and name of the designated representative or pharmacist responsible for distribution? A copy of the invoice must be sent to the prescriber, the patient and a copy retained by this business. Upon receipt of drugs, the patient or patient agent must sign for the receipt for the drugs with any irregularities noted on the receipt. (CCR 1790)

☐ ☐ ☐ 15.5. Is each case or full shelf package of the dialysis drugs dispensed labeled with the patient name and the shipment? Note that additional information as required is provided with each shipment. (CCR 1791)

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### 16. Record Keeping Requirements

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#### 16.1. Does your business’ sales record for drugs include date of sale, your business name and address, the business name and address of the buyer, and the names and quantities of the drugs sold? (B&PC 4059[b])

#### 16.2. Does your business maintain transaction histories, transaction information, and transaction statements for products included in the Drug Supply Chain Security Act? (Title II of the DQSA Section 582[c])

#### 16.3. Are purchase and sales records for all transactions retained on your licensed premises for 3 years from the date of making? (B&PC 4081[a], 4105[c], 4081, 4332, 4059.5[a])  
Note: A drug pedigree is considered to be a part of the records of purchase and sale and must be retained for three years from the making.

#### 16.4. Are all purchase and sales records retained in a readily retrievable form? (B&PC 4105[a])

#### 16.5. Is a current accurate inventory maintained for all dangerous drugs? (B&PC 4081, 4332, 1718)

#### 16.6. If you temporarily remove purchase or sales records from your business, does your business retain on your licensed premises at all times, a photocopy of each record temporarily removed? (B&PC 4105[b])

#### 16.7. Are required records stored off-site only if a board issued written waiver has been granted?

16.8. If your business has a written waiver, write the date the waiver was approved and the off-site address where the records are stored below. (CCR 1707[a])

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#### 16.9. Is an off-site written waiver in place and is the storage area secure from unauthorized access? (CCR 1707[b][1])

#### 16.10. If an off-site written waiver is in place, are the records stored off-site retrievable within 2 business days? (CCR 1707[b][2])

#### 16.11. Can the records that are retained electronically be produced immediately in hard copy form by any designated representative, if the designated representative-in-charge is not present? (B & P 4105[d])

#### 16.12. Are records of training provided to employees to assure compliance with licensing requirements, retained for 3 years? (CCR 1780[f][4])
Yes No N/A

16.13. Has this licensed premises, or the designated representative-in-charge or pharmacist, been cited, fined or disciplined by this board or any other state or federal agency within the last 3 years? If so list each incident with a brief explanation (B&PC 4162[a][4]):

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16.14. Has the licensed premises received any orders of correction from this board? A copy of the order and the corrective action plan must be on the licensed premises for 3 years. (B&PC 4083)

16.15. Has this business received a letter of admonishment from this board? A copy must be retained on the premises for 3 years from the date of issue. (B&PC 4315[e])

16.16. If this business dispenses dialysis drugs directly to patients, are the prescription records retained for 3 years, including refill authorizations and expanded invoices for dialysis patients? (CCR 1787[c], 1790)

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17. Reporting Requirements to the Board

Yes No N/A

17.1. A designated representative-in-charge who terminates employment at this business, must notify the board within 30 days of the termination (B&PC 4101[b], 4305.5[c]).

17.2. The owner must report to the board within 30 days the termination of the designated representative-in-charge or pharmacist (B&PC 4305.5[a])

17.3. The owner must report to the board within 30 days of discovery, any loss of controlled substances, including amounts and strengths of the missing drugs. (CCR 1715.6)

17.4. The owner must notify the DEA, on a DEA form 106, any theft or significant loss of controlled substances upon discovery. (CFR 1301.74[c])
17.7. When called upon by the board, your business can report all sales of dangerous drugs or controlled substances subject to abuse. (B&PC 4164[a])

17.8. Effective January 1, 2006 your business will develop and maintain a tracking system for individual sales of dangerous drugs at preferential or contract prices to pharmacies that primarily or solely dispense prescription drugs to patients of long-term care facilities. Your system must:
1. identify pharmacies that primarily or solely dispense prescription drugs to patients of long term care facilities
2. identify purchases of any dangerous drugs at preferential or contract prices
3. identify current purchases that exceed prior purchases by 20 percent over the previous 12 calendar months. (B&PC 4164[b])

17.9. I understand that this wholesaler license is not transferable to a new owner. A change of ownership must be reported to this board, as soon as the parties have agreed to the sale. Before the ownership actually changes, an additional application for a temporary permit must be submitted to the board if the new owner wants to conduct business while the board is processing the change of ownership application and until the new permanent permit is issued. A company cannot transfer the ownership of the business via a contract with another individual or business, without the board’s approval (B&PC 4201[g])

17.10. The owner of this business must immediately notify the board in writing if any assignment is made for the benefit of creditors, if the business enters into any credit compromise arrangement, files a petition in bankruptcy, has a receiver appointed, or enters into liquidation or any other arrangement that might result in the sale or transfer of drugs. (CCR 1705)

17.11. If this business is discontinued, the owner must notify the board in writing before the actual discontinuation of business. (CCR 1708.2). If the business holds a DEA registration, the owner must notify the DEA promptly of the discontinuation of business and all unused DEA 222 order forms must be returned to the DEA. (CFR 1301.52[a], 1305.14)

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Yes No N/A
□ □ □ 17.5. Do your employees know about their obligation to report any known diversion or loss of controlled substances to a responsible person within your business? (CFR 1301.91)

□ □ □ 17.6. The owner must notify the board within 30 days of any change in the beneficial ownership of this business. (B&PC 4201[i], CCR 1709[b])

□ □ □ 17.7. When called upon by the board, your business can report all sales of dangerous drugs or controlled substances subject to abuse. (B&PC 4164[a])

□ □ □ 17.8. Effective January 1, 2006 your business will develop and maintain a tracking system for individual sales of dangerous drugs at preferential or contract prices to pharmacies that primarily or solely dispense prescription drugs to patients of long-term care facilities. Your system must:
1. identify pharmacies that primarily or solely dispense prescription drugs to patients of long term care facilities
2. identify purchases of any dangerous drugs at preferential or contract prices
3. identify current purchases that exceed prior purchases by 20 percent over the previous 12 calendar months. (B&PC 4164[b])
18. Additional Licenses/Permits Required

18.1. List all licenses and permits required to conduct this business, including local business licenses, wholesale licenses held in other states, permits or licenses required by foreign countries or other entities (B&PC 4059.5[e], 4107, CFR 1305.11[a]) Use additional sheets if necessary.

DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE-IN-CHARGE / PHARMACIST CERTIFICATION:

I, (please print) _____________________________________, DRIC# / RPH # ___________________, hereby certify that I have completed the self-assessment of this wholesale business of which I am the designated representative-in-charge (DRIC) / pharmacist (RPH). I understand that all responses are subject to verification by the Board of Pharmacy. I further state under penalty of perjury that the information contained in this self-assessment form is true and correct.

Signature ____________________________________________ Date __________________________

Designated Representative-in-Charge (DRIC) / Pharmacist (RPH)

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT BY OWNER, PARTNER OR CORPORATE OFFICER:

I, (please print) _____________________________________, hereby certify under penalty of perjury of the laws of the State of California that I have read and reviewed this completed self-assessment. I understand that failure to correct any deficiency identified in this self-assessment could result in the revocation of the pharmacy’s license issued by the California State Board of Pharmacy.

Signature ____________________________________________ Date __________________________
Legal References

The following Legal References are used in the self-assessment form. Many of these references can be viewed on the Board of Pharmacy Web site at www.pharmacy.ca.gov (see *Laws and Regulations*), at the California State Law Library, or at other libraries or Internet Web sites:

- California Code of Regulations (CCR), Title 16, unless otherwise noted
- Business and Professions Code (B&PC), Chapter 9, Division 2, unless otherwise noted
- Health and Safety Code (H&SC), Division 10, Uniform Controlled Substances Act
- Health and Safety Code (H&SC), Division 104, Part 5, Sherman Food, Drug and Cosmetic Laws
- United States Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Title 21, Chapter II, Part 1300, Drug Enforcement Administration, Food and Drugs and Codified Controlled Substances Act (CSA)

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Online Registration – New Applicants:

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Online DEA 106 Theft/Loss Reporting:
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Attachment 16
Pharmacy Ownership, Management, and Control, Including Through Trusts
§ 1709
To Amend Article 2 of Division 17 of Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations to read as follows:

§1709. Names of Owners and Pharmacist In Charge—Disclosure and Notification Requirements

(a) Each permit issued by the board to operate a pharmacy shall reflect the name and address of the pharmacy, the form of ownership (individual, partnership or corporation) and the pharmacist-in-charge. Each pharmacy shall, in its initial application and on the annual renewal form, report the name of the pharmacist-in-charge, the names of all owners and the names of the corporate officers (if a corporation). Any changes in the pharmacist-in-charge, or the owners, or corporate officers shall be reported to the board within 30 days.

(b) Any transfer, in a single transaction or in a series of transactions, of 10 percent or more of the beneficial interest in a business entity licensed by the board to a person or entity who did not hold a beneficial interest at the time the original permit license was issued, shall require written notification to the board within 30 days.

(c) A license issued by the board shall not be transferred from one owner to another. The following shall constitute a transfer of permit license and require application for a change of ownership: any transfer of a of the beneficial interest in a business entity licensed by the board, in a single transaction or in a series of transactions, to any person or entity, which transfer results in the transferee’s holding 50% or more of the beneficial interest in that license. A change of ownership application shall be filed with the board in advance of the proposed transaction taking place.

(d) The board may issue, or renew, a license to an entity that is controlled by a revocable or irrevocable trust that meets the requirements of this subsection.

(1) In addition to the requirements in (a), as part of its application and during its annual renewal, the entity shall also report the name of any other person in any position with management or control of the pharmacy.
(2) An applicant shall disclose the full name of the trust, and shall provide to the board a complete copy of, and any amendments to the trust document. A trust document and any related amendments shall be considered confidential financial documents by the board.

(3) An applicant shall disclose as part of its application and during its annual renewal the name, address and contact information for each grantor, settlor, trustee, trust protector, as applicable. In addition, the applicant shall disclose the name, address and contact information for each beneficiary named in the trust that is age 18 or greater.

(4) The licensee, or any person with management or control of the pharmacy, shall notify the board in writing within 30 days of all the following:

(A) A change in the trustee, protector or any other person with management or control of the pharmacy.

(B) Any change in the beneficiaries of the trust, where the beneficiary is age 18 or older.

(C) The revocation of the trust.

(D) The dissolution of the trust.

(E) Any amendment(s) to the trust since the original application.

(e) An applicant or licensee may be denied, suspended or revoked based on the failure of any individual required to be disclosed to the board to qualify pursuant to the provisions of sections 4302, 4307 and 4308 of the Business and Professions Code.

Note: Authority cited: Section 4005, Business and Professions Code. Reference: Sections 4058, 4110, 4111, 4112, 4113, 4120, 4424, 4430, 4433, 4441, 4449, 4460, 4464, 4496, 4201, 4302, 4304, 4305, 4307, 4308, and 4330, Business and Professions Code.
Attachment 17
Offsite Storage
§ 1707
Proposal to Amend 16 CCR § 1707

§ 1707. Waiver Requirements for Off-Site Storage of Records.
(a) Pursuant to subdivision (e) of Section 4105 of the Business and Professions Code and subdivision (c) of Section 4333 of the Business and Professions Code, a waiver shall may be granted to any entity licensed by the board for off-site storage of the records outside the licensed area of the pharmacy described in subdivisions (a), (b) and (c) of Section 4105 of the Business and Professions Code unless the applicant has, within the preceding five years, failed to produce records pursuant to Section 4081 of the Business and Professions Code or has falsified records covered by Section 4081 of the Business and Professions Code.
(b) An entity that is granted a waiver pursuant to subdivision (a) shall:
(1) maintain the storage area so that the records are secure, including from unauthorized access; and
(2) be able to produce the records within two business days upon the request of the board or an authorized officer of the law.
(c) In the event that a licensee fails to comply with the conditions set forth in subdivision (b), the board may cancel the waiver without a hearing. Upon notification by the board of cancellation of the waiver, the licensee shall maintain all records at the licensed premises.
(d) A licensee whose waiver has been cancelled pursuant to the provisions set forth in subsection (c) may reapply to the board when compliance with the conditions set forth in subsection (b) can be confirmed by the board.
(e) Notwithstanding any waiver granted pursuant to subdivision (a), all prescription records for non controlled substances shall be maintained on the licensed premises for a period of one year from the date of dispensing.
(f) Notwithstanding any waiver granted pursuant to subdivision (a), all prescription records for controlled substances shall be maintained on the licensed premises for a period of two years from the date of dispensing.
(g) Notwithstanding the requirements of this section, any entity licensed by the board may store the records described in subdivisions (a), (b) and (c) of Section 4105 of the Business and Professions Code in a storage area at the same address or adjoining the licensed premises without obtaining a waiver from the board if the following conditions are met:
(1) The records are readily accessible to the pharmacist-in-charge (or other pharmacist on duty, or designated representative) and upon request to the board or any authorized officer of the law.
(2) The storage area is maintained so that the records are secure and so that the confidentiality of any patient-related information is maintained.


Draft Regulation Proposal to Amend CCR Section 1707
January 24-25, 2017 Board Meeting
Attachment 18
Compounding
§ 1735.1 and 1735.6
California State Board of Pharmacy
Specific Language to Amend Title 16. CCR §1735.1

Initial proposed changes indicated with single strikethrough for deletions and single underline for additions.

Amend Section 1735.1 Division 17 of Title 16 of California Code of Regulations to Read as follows:

§ 1735.1. Compounding Definitions.

(a) “Ante-area” means an area with ISO Class 8 or better air quality where personnel hand hygiene and garbing procedures, staging of components, and other high-particulate-generating activities are performed, that is adjacent to the area designated for sterile compounding. It is a transition area that begins the systematic reduction of particles, prevents large fluctuations in air temperature and pressures in the cleanroom, and maintains air flows from clean to dirty areas. ISO Class 7 or better air quality is required for ante-areas providing air to a negative pressure room.

(b) “Beyond use date” means the date, or date and time, after which administration of a compounded drug preparation shall not begin, the preparation shall not be dispensed, and the preparation shall not be stored (other than for quarantine purposes).

(c) “Biological Safety Cabinet (BSC)” means a ventilated cabinet for compounding sterile drug preparations, having an open front with inward airflow for personnel protection, downward HEPA-filtered laminar airflow for product protection, and HEPA-filtered exhausted air for environmental protection. Where hazardous drugs are prepared, the exhaust air from the biological safety cabinet shall be appropriately removed by properly designed external building ventilation exhaust. This external exhaust venting should be dedicated to one BSC or CACI.

(d) “Bulk drug substance” means any substance that, when used in the preparation of a compounded drug preparation, processing, or packaging of a drug, is an active ingredient or a finished dosage form of the drug, but the term does not include any intermediate used in the synthesis of such substances.

(e) “Cleanroom or clean area or buffer area” means a room or area with HEPA-filtered air that provides ISO Class 7 or better air quality where the primary engineering control (PEC) is physically located.

(1) For nonhazardous compounding a positive pressure differential of 0.02- to 0.05-inch water column relative to all adjacent spaces is required.

(2) For hazardous compounding at least 30 air changes per hour of HEPA-filtered supply air and a negative pressure of between 0.01 to 0.03 inches of water column relative to all adjacent spaces is required.

(f) “Compounding Aseptic Containment Isolator (CACI)” means a unidirectional HEPA-filtered airflow compounding aseptic isolator (CAI) designed to provide worker protection from
exposure to undesirable levels of airborne drug throughout the compounding and material transfer processes and to provide an aseptic environment for compounding sterile preparations. Air exchange with the surrounding environment should not occur unless the air is first passed through a microbial retentive filter (HEPA minimum) system capable of containing airborne concentrations of the physical size and state of the drug being compounded. Where hazardous drugs are prepared, the exhaust air from the isolator shall be appropriately removed by properly designed external building ventilation. This external venting should be dedicated to one BSC or CACI. Air within the CACI shall not be recirculated nor turbulent.

(g) “Compounding Aseptic Isolator (CAI)” means a form of isolator specifically designed for non-hazardous compounding of pharmaceutical ingredients or preparations while bathed with unidirectional HEPA-filtered air. It is designed to maintain an aseptic compounding environment within the isolator throughout the compounding and material transfer processes. Air exchange into the isolator from the surrounding environment should not occur unless the air has first passed through a microbial retentive filter (HEPA minimum) system capable of containing airborne concentrations of the physical size and state of the drug being compounded. Air within the CAI shall not be recirculated nor turbulent.

(h) “Controlled cold temperature” means 2 degrees to 8 degrees C (35 degrees to 46 degrees F).

(i) “Controlled freezer temperature” means -25 degrees to -10 degrees C (-13 degrees to 14 degrees F) or at a range otherwise specified by the pharmaceutical manufacturer(s) for that product.

(j) “Controlled room temperature” means 20 degrees to 25 degrees C (68 degrees to 77 degrees F).

(k) “Copy or essentially a copy” of a commercially available drug product includes all preparations that are comparable in active ingredients to commercially available drug products, except that it does not include any preparations in which there has been a change, made for an identified individual patient, which produces for that patient a clinically significant difference, as determined by a prescribing practitioner, between that compounded preparation and the comparable commercially available drug product.

(l) “Daily” means occurring every day the pharmacy is operating, except when daily monitoring of refrigerator and freezer temperature are required, then daily means every 24 hours.

(m) “Displacement airflow method” means a concept which utilizes a low pressure differential, high airflow principle to maintain segregation from the adjacent ante-area by means of specific pressure differentials. This principle of displacement airflow shall require an air velocity of 40 ft per minute or more, from floor to ceiling and wall to wall, from the clean area across the line of demarcation into the ante-area. The displacement concept may not be used to maintain clean area requirements for sterile compounds which originate from any ingredient that was at any time non-sterile, regardless of intervening sterilization of the ingredient, or for hazardous compounds.

(n) “Dosage unit” means a quantity sufficient for one administration to one patient.

(o) “Equipment” means items that must be calibrated, maintained or periodically certified.

(p) “First air” means the air exiting the HEPA filter in a unidirectional air stream that is essentially particle free.
(q) “Gloved fingertip sampling” means a process whereby compounding personnel lightly press each fingertip and thumb of each hand onto appropriate growth media, which are then incubated at a temperature and for a time period conducive to multiplication of microorganisms, and then examined for growth of microorganisms.

(r) “Hazardous” means all anti-neoplastic agents identified by the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) as meeting the criteria for a hazardous drug and any other drugs, compounds, or materials identified as hazardous by the pharmacist-in-charge.

(s) “Integrity” means retention of potency until the beyond use date provided on the label, so long as the preparation is stored and handled according to the label directions.

(t) “Lot” means one or more compounded drug preparation(s) prepared during one uninterrupted continuous cycle of compounding from one or more common active ingredient(s).

(u) “Media-fill test” means a test used to measure the efficacy of compounding personnel in aseptic techniques whereby compounding procedures are mimicked using a growth-based media and then the resulting preparation is evaluated for sterility. The media-fill test must mimic the most complex compounding procedures performed by the pharmacy.

(v) “Non-sterile-to-sterile batch” means any compounded drug preparation containing two (2) or more dosage units with any ingredient that was at any time non-sterile, regardless of intervening sterilization of that ingredient.

(w) “Parenteral” means a preparation of drugs administered in a manner other than through the digestive tract. It does not include topical, sublingual, rectal or buccal routes of administration.

(x) “Personal protective equipment” means clothing or devices that protect the employee from exposure to compounding ingredients and/or potential toxins and minimize the contamination of compounded preparations. These include shoe covers, head and facial hair covers, face masks, gowns, and gloves.

(y) “Potency” means active ingredient strength within +/- 10% (or the range specified in USP37-NF32, 37th Revision, Through 2nd Supplement Effective December 1, 2014) of the labeled amount. Sterile injectable products compounded solely from commercially manufactured sterile pharmaceutical products in a health care facility licensed under section 1250 of the Health and Safety Code are exempt from this definition. For those exempt, the range shall be calculated and defined in the master formula.

(z) “Preparation” means a drug or nutrient compounded in a licensed pharmacy; the preparation may or may not be sterile.

(aa) “Prescriber's office” or “prescriber office” means an office or suite of offices in which a prescriber regularly sees patients for outpatient diagnosis and treatment. This definition does not include any hospital, pharmacy, or other facility, whether or not separately licensed, that may be affiliated with, adjacent to, or co-owned by, the prescriber's practice environment.

(ab) “Primary Engineering Control (PEC)” means a device that provides an ISO Class 5 or better environment through the use of non-turbulent, unidirectional HEPA-filtered first air for compounding sterile preparations. Examples of PEC devices include, but are not limited to, laminar airflow workbenches, biological safety cabinets, sterile compounding automated robots, compounding aseptic isolators, and compounding aseptic containment isolators.
(ac) “Process validation” means demonstrating that when a process is repeated within specified limits, the process will consistently produce preparations complying with predetermined requirements. If any aspect of the process is changed, the process would need to be revalidated.

(ad) “Product” means a commercially manufactured drug or nutrient evaluated for safety and efficacy by the FDA.

(ae) “Quality” means the absence of harmful levels of contaminants, including filth, putrid, or decomposed substances, the absence of active ingredients other than those listed on the label, and the absence of inactive ingredients other than those listed on the master formula document.

(af) “Segregated sterile compounding area” means a designated space for sterile-to-sterile compounding where a PEC is located within either a demarcated area (at least three foot perimeter) or in a separate room. Such area or room shall not contain and shall be void of activities and materials that are extraneous to sterile compounding. The segregated sterile compounding area shall not be in a location that has unsealed windows or doors that connect to the outdoors, in a location with high traffic flow, or in a location that is adjacent to construction sites, warehouses, or food preparation. The segregated sterile compounding area shall not have a sink, other than an emergency eye-washing station, located within three feet of a PEC. The segregated sterile compounding area shall be restricted to preparation of sterile-to-sterile compounded preparations.

(1) The BUD of a sterile drug preparation made in a segregated sterile compounding area is limited to 12 hours or less as defined by section 1751.8(d).

(2) When the PEC in the segregated sterile compounding area is a CAI or a CACI and the documentation provided by the manufacturer shows it meets the requirements listed in section 1751.4(f)(1)-(3), the assigned BUD shall comply with section 1751.8(a-b) or (d).

(ag) “Strength” means amount of active ingredient per unit of a compounded drug preparation.

Note: Authority cited: Sections 4005 and 4127, Business and Professions Code. Reference: Sections 4005, 4036, 4037, 4051, 4052 and 4127, Business and Professions Code.
California State Board of Pharmacy
Specific Language to Amend Title 16. CCR §1735.6

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Amend Section 1735.6 Division 17 of Title 16 of California Code of Regulations to Read as follows:

§ 1735.6. Compounding Facilities and Equipment.

(a) Any pharmacy engaged in compounding shall maintain written documentation regarding the facilities and equipment necessary for safe and accurate compounding of compounded drug preparations. This shall include records of maintenance and cleaning of the facilities and equipment. Where applicable, this shall also include records of certification(s) of facilities or equipment.

(b) Any equipment used to compound drug preparations shall be stored, used, maintained, and cleaned in accordance with manufacturers' specifications.

(c) Any equipment that weighs, measures, or transfers ingredients used to compound drug preparations for which calibration or adjustment is appropriate shall be calibrated prior to use, on a schedule and by a method determined by the manufacturer's specifications, to ensure accuracy. Documentation of each such calibration shall be recorded in a form which is not alterable and these records of calibration shall be maintained and retained in the pharmacy.

(d) Any pharmacy engaged in any hazardous drug compounding shall maintain written documentation regarding appropriate cleaning of facilities and equipment to prevent cross-contamination with non-hazardous drugs.

(e) Hazardous drug compounding shall be completed in an externally exhausted, vented physically separate room with the following requirements:

1. Minimum of 30 air changes per hour except that 12 air changes per hour are acceptable for segregated compounding areas with a BSC or CACI when products are assigned a BUD of 12 hrs or less or when non-sterile products are compounded; and

2. Maintained at a negative pressure of 0.01 to 0.03 inches of water column relative to all adjacent spaces (rooms, above ceiling, and corridors); and

3. Each PEC BSC and CACI in the room shall also be externally exhausted, vented except that a BSC used only for nonsterile compounding may also use a redundant-HEPA filter in series; and

4. All surfaces within the room shall be smooth, seamless, impervious, and non-shedding.

(f) Where compliance with the January 1, 2017 amendments to Article 4.5 or Article 7, requires physical construction or alteration to a facility or physical environment, the board or its designee may grant a waiver of such compliance for a period of time to permit such physical change(s). Application for any waiver shall be made by the licensee in writing, and the request shall identify the provision(s) requiring physical construction or alteration, and the timeline for
any such change(s). The board or its designee may grant the waiver when, in its discretion, good cause is demonstrated for such waiver.

Note: Authority cited: Sections 4005 and 4127, Business and Professions Code. Reference: Sections 4005, 4036, 4037, 4051, 4052 and 4127, Business and Professions Code.