BOARD ACTIONS

The California State Board of Pharmacy took action on the following proposed regulations at a Jan. 24-25, 2017, meeting in Glendale, CA:

- Directed the Enforcement and Compounding Committee to reconsider wording of a proposed regulation related to development of reconciliation reports for controlled substances. The regulation is proposed as Title 16, California Code of Regulations (CCR) section 1715.65.
- Modified a proposed regulation related to travel medications, CCR section 1746.5, and directed staff to notice the modified text for a 15-day comment period. The regulation is proposed as Title 16, CCR section 1746.5.
- Directed staff to clarify a proposed regulation related to disciplinary guidelines. The regulation is proposed as Title 16, CCR section 1760.

In other matters, the board announced a special meeting Feb. 17 in Sacramento to discuss possible changes in pharmacy laws needed to accommodate new technology and advances in the operation of automated drug delivery systems (ADDS). Vendors of ADDS devices will be invited to present information about technological features and how the machines are affected by existing pharmacy laws. Details and additional information will be available soon.

In addition, the board voted to award seven hours of continuing education credit to pharmacists who attend a March 11 educational forum on corresponding responsibility, prescription drug abuse and CURES at University of California, San Diego. The day-long forum will include sessions presented by the board, UC San Diego and the Drug Enforcement Administration. Details and additional information will be available soon.

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