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Hello Members of the Board,

My name is Vincent Chairez, and I am a CVS Shop Steward and Pharmacy Technician.

Currently, CVS District Leaders are driving an expectation that each pharmacy have at least one vaccinating technician on staff. Through research and worker feedback, it has come to our attention that the vaccination areas in many CVS pharmacies are not consistently inspected by the Board of Pharmacy, as jurisdiction appears to be limited. Because these vaccination areas are often set up within the retail community space, there is no clear ownership of the area between the pharmacy and the front store.

I understand that the Board can only regulate the practice of pharmacy. For that reason, I respectfully request that the Board consider implementing regulations requiring a designated vaccination area for major employers in the community pharmacy setting. Establishing such a standard would ensure that inspectors have full authority to inspect and enforce compliance in all areas where the practice of pharmacy—specifically vaccination—occurs. This step would help safeguard both pharmacy workers and the patients they serve.

I have gathered feedback and examples of safety and sanitation issues that have arisen in current vaccination areas, and I would be happy to share these with the Board for consideration.

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter