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23.97 Compounded Controlled Prescriptions and Compounded Controlled Infusion Prescriptions

Compounded controlled prescriptions or compounded controlled infusion prescriptions may be sent electronically or written on the Oklahoma Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs Control prescription pad but are not required to be, per House Bill 2676.

A Schedule III-V compounded controlled prescription can be written, called in, or faxed from the prescriber's office. A Schedule II compounded controlled prescription can be written on any legal prescription pad.

23.98 Display of Permits

An immunization permit must be displayed in the pharmacy where the pharmacist is performing immunizations. Also, a pharmacist with an immunization registration must maintain ongoing competency through required training, including, at a minimum, a current CPR certification and current continuing education. The rules listed below are from the Oklahoma Administrative Code (OAC) Title 535 – Oklahoma State Board of Pharmacy:

OAC 535:10-11-3. D.Ph. administering of immunization requirements

- (c) A D.Ph. with immunization registration must maintain ongoing competency through required training, including at a minimum current CPR certification and current continuing education.

OAC 535:10-11-4. Immunization registration

- (a) In order to obtain and maintain eligibility to administer immunizations an applicant must be licensed as a pharmacist in Oklahoma and have successfully completed an approved training described in 535:10-11-5.
- (b) Each D.Ph. immunization applicant is subject to the rules regarding applicants in Subchapter 535:25-3.
- (c) Prior to administering immunizations, each D.Ph. shall obtain an **immunization permit** with the Board.
 - (1) Such D.Ph. shall apply obtain an immunization permit by completing an application form furnished by the Board and paying the \$25 fee.
 - (2) The immunization permit **must be displayed** in the pharmacy where the D.Ph. is performing immunizations (emphasis added).

23.99 Administering Vitamin B12 Injections

A pharmacist cannot initiate therapy and administer vitamin B12 injections to a patient based on a written protocol from a physician.

A pharmacist can administer vitamin B12 injections to a patient if the B12 has been dispensed to the patient based on a prescription order from a prescriber.

OAC 535:10-9-13. Administer

- (a) A pharmacist may administer drugs that have been dispensed on orders from a prescriber.
- (b) A pharmacist should inform or teach the patient or the patient’s caregiver how to administer their drugs.

23.100 PIC Responsibilities

As a reminder, the Oklahoma State Board of Pharmacy has the following rule, which specifies the number of hours a pharmacist must practice in order to hold the pharmacist-in-charge (PIC) position:

OAC 535:15-3-2. Pharmacy responsibilities

- (b) PIC. Each pharmacy, in order to obtain and maintain a pharmacy license, must have a licensed pharmacist as the PIC.
...
(4) The PIC shall be present and practicing at the pharmacy for which he holds the PIC position no less than 20 hours per week during the pharmacy’s ordinary course of business. In the event the pharmacy’s normal hours of business are less than 40 hours per week the PIC shall be present and practicing at least 50 percent of the normal business hours.

23.101 Disciplinary Actions

No disciplinary actions have been reported at this time.

Calendar Notes

Upcoming Holidays: The Board office will be closed on May 29, 2023, for Memorial Day; July 4, 2023, for Independence Day; and September 4, 2023, for Labor Day.

Upcoming Board Meeting: The Board is scheduled to meet on June 7, 2023. All meetings begin at 8:30 AM.

Change of Address or Employment?

Please be diligent in keeping your information up to date and, if possible, remind your coworkers and employees. Failure to notify the Board is a violation of Oklahoma pharmacy law. All

pharmacists, technicians, and interns must notify the Board in writing within 10 days of a change of address or employment. Online updates through the license renewal page are **not** accepted as official notification. Emailed notifications can be sent to pharmacy@pharmacy.ok.gov or faxed to 405/521-3758. License/permit numbers must be included to be accepted.

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The *Oklahoma State Board of Pharmacy Newsletter* is an official method of notification to pharmacies, pharmacists, pharmacy interns, and pharmacy technicians registered by the Board. Please read them carefully. The Board encourages you to keep them for future reference.

OPHP Available for Help

If you or a pharmacist you care about is suffering from chemical dependency, there is a solution. Oklahoma Pharmacists Helping Pharmacists (OPHP) is readily available for help. Pharmacists in Oklahoma, Texas, and Louisiana may call the OPHP helpline at 1-800/260-7574, ext 5773. All calls are confidential.

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