

PHARMACY BOARD[657]

Adopted and Filed

Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code section 147.76, the Board of Pharmacy hereby amends Chapter 3, "Pharmacy Technicians," Iowa Administrative Code.

The amendments provide updated language to remove all references to uncertified pharmacy technicians. Current rules require all pharmacy technicians to obtain national certification, but the rules provide an extended deadline for compliance under certain conditions. As of December 31, 2013, the provision for extension of the deadline to attain national certification has expired. These amendments eliminate all references to the extended deadline for national certification and all references to uncertified pharmacy technicians because national certification is required of all pharmacy technicians following one-year registration as a technician trainee.

Requests for waiver or variance of the discretionary provisions of these rules will be considered pursuant to 657—Chapter 34.

Notice of Intended Action was published in the October 1, 2014, Iowa Administrative Bulletin as **ARC 1653C**. The Board received no written comments regarding the proposed amendments. The adopted amendments are identical to those published under Notice.

The amendments were approved during the November 19, 2014, meeting of the Board of Pharmacy. After analysis and review of this rule making, no impact on jobs has been found.

These amendments are intended to implement Iowa Code sections 147.72, 147.107, 155A.6A, 155A.23, 155A.33, and 155A.39.

These amendments will become effective on January 14, 2015.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Pursuant to recommendation of the Administrative Rules Review Committee published in the Iowa Administrative Bulletin, September 10, 1986, the text of these amendments [amendments to Ch 3] is being omitted. These amendments are identical to those published under Notice as **ARC 1653C**, IAB 10/1/14.

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