

PHARMACY BOARD[657]

Notice of Intended Action

Twenty-five interested persons, a governmental subdivision, an agency or association of 25 or more persons may demand an oral presentation hereon as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.4(1)"b."

Notice is also given to the public that the Administrative Rules Review Committee may, on its own motion or on written request by any individual or group, review this proposed action under section 17A.8(6) at a regular or special meeting where the public or interested persons may be heard.

Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code section 147.76, the Board of Pharmacy hereby gives Notice of Intended Action to amend Chapter 18, "Centralized Prescription Filling and Processing," Iowa Administrative Code.

The amendments were approved at the June 3, 2008, regular meeting of the Board of Pharmacy.

The proposed amendments define "mail order pharmacy" and require that a pharmacist providing central fill or central processing functions as an employee of a licensed pharmacy located in Iowa must be licensed to practice pharmacy in Iowa. The amendments also exempt a central fill pharmacy from the requirement to return a central fill prescription to the originating pharmacy for delivery to the patient if the central fill pharmacy is a mail order pharmacy and provide that a central fill or central processing pharmacy sharing a common central processing unit with an originating pharmacy may perform drug use review, subject to specific requirements of subrule 18.3(3), paragraph "b."

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

These amendments were also Adopted and Filed Emergency and are published herein as **ARC 6869B**.

Any interested person may present written comments, data, views, and arguments on the proposed amendments not later than 4:30 p.m. on July 22, 2008. Such written materials may be sent to Terry Witkowski, Executive Officer, Board of Pharmacy, 400 S.W. Eighth Street, Suite E, Des Moines, Iowa 50309-4688; or by E-mail to terry.witkowski@iowa.gov.

These amendments are intended to implement Iowa Code sections 155A.13 and 155A.13A.