

657—39.9(155A) Statewide protocol—nicotine replacement tobacco cessation products. An authorized pharmacist may prescribe and dispense nicotine replacement tobacco cessation products to patients 18 years and older pursuant to a statewide protocol developed pursuant to rule 657—39.6(155A) and in compliance with this rule. An authorized pharmacist may only delegate the dispensing of a nicotine replacement tobacco cessation product to an authorized pharmacist-intern under the direct supervision of an authorized pharmacist.

39.9(1) Definitions. For the purposes of this rule, the following definitions shall apply:

“*ACPE*” means the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education.

“*Authorized pharmacist*” means an Iowa-licensed pharmacist who has completed the training requirements of this rule. “*Authorized pharmacist*” also includes an Iowa-registered pharmacist-intern who has completed the training requirements of this rule and is working under the direct supervision of an authorized pharmacist.

“*Authorized pharmacist-intern*” means an Iowa-registered pharmacist-intern who has completed the training requirements for an authorized pharmacist pursuant to this rule.

“*Board*” means the Iowa board of pharmacy.

39.9(2) Authorized pharmacist training. An authorized pharmacist shall document successful completion of an ACPE-approved continuing education program of at least one-hour duration related to nicotine replacement tobacco cessation product utilization prior to dispensing such products under the statewide protocol.

39.9(3) Assessment. An authorized pharmacist shall assess a patient for appropriateness of receiving a nicotine replacement tobacco cessation product pursuant to the statewide protocol.

39.9(4) Patient counseling and instructions. Upon assessment and determination that provision of the nicotine replacement tobacco cessation product is appropriate pursuant to the statewide protocol, an authorized pharmacist shall, prior to dispensing such product, provide counseling and instructions to the patient pursuant to rule 657—6.14(155A).

39.9(5) Labeling. Nicotine replacement tobacco cessation products dispensed pursuant to this rule shall be labeled in accordance with rule 657—6.10(126,155A), and the labeling shall not render the expiration date of the product illegible.

39.9(6) Reporting. As soon as reasonably possible, the authorized pharmacist shall notify the patient’s primary health care provider of the nicotine replacement tobacco cessation product provided to the patient. If the patient does not have a primary health care provider, the authorized pharmacist shall provide the patient with a written record of the nicotine replacement tobacco cessation product provided to the patient and shall advise the patient to consult a physician.

39.9(7) Records. An authorized pharmacist shall maintain records of nicotine replacement tobacco cessation products prescribed and dispensed pursuant to the statewide protocol.

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