

481—552.17(155A) Contract pharmacy services. A pharmacy may, via an executed agreement between the entities or through common ownership, utilize the services of another Iowa-licensed pharmacy for prescription processing, filling, or dispensing when:

552.17(1) The entities involved have real-time electronic access to the prescription in process that is secure from unauthorized access and maintains patient confidentiality.

552.17(2) Any prescription processing system utilized documents the identification of each individual involved in each step or function of prescription processing, filling or dispensing.

552.17(3) Patient counseling is provided by a pharmacist or pharmacist-intern in a professional setting that can maintain patient privacy.

552.17(4) The pharmacy that maintains the original prescription record maintains ultimate responsibility to ensure compliance with all laws and rules.

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