

Sec. 3. Section 155A.4, subsection 2, Code 2007, is amended by adding the following new paragraph:

NEW PARAGRAPH. h. A limited drug and device distributor, licensed by the board, to distribute limited noncontrolled prescription drugs, prescription devices, and medical gases, to patients in this state pursuant to rules adopted by the board.

Sec. 4. Section 155A.9, subsection 1, Code 2007, is amended to read as follows:

1. A college of pharmacy shall not be approved by the board unless the college is accredited by the ~~American accreditation council on pharmaceutical~~ for pharmacy education.

Sec. 5. Section 155A.29, subsection 1, Code 2007, is amended to read as follows:

1. Except as specified in subsection 2, a prescription for any prescription drug or device which is not a controlled substance shall not be filled or refilled more than eighteen months after the date on which the prescription was issued and a prescription which is authorized to be refilled shall not be refilled more than ~~eleven~~ twelve times.

Sec. 6. NEW SECTION. 155A.42 LIMITED DRUG AND DEVICE DISTRIBUTOR LICENSE.

1. A person shall not act as a limited drug and device distributor without a license. The license shall be identified as a limited drug and device distributor license.

2. The board shall establish, by rule, standards for limited drug and device distributors and may define specific types of limited drug and device distributors. The board may identify, by rule, specific prescription drugs or classes of noncontrolled prescription drugs, which may be distributed by a limited drug and device distributor.

3. The board shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter 17A relating to the issuance of a limited drug and device distributor license. The rules shall provide for conditions of licensure, compliance standards, licensure fees, disciplinary action, and other relevant matters.

4. The board may deny, suspend, or revoke a limited drug and device distributor's license for failure to meet the applicable standards or for a violation of the laws of this state, another state, or the United States relating to prescription drugs or controlled substances, or for a violation of this chapter, chapter 124, 124A, 124B, 126, 205, or 272C, or a rule of the board.

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## CHAPTER 20

### REGISTRATION OF PHARMACY INTERNS AND TECHNICIANS

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**AN ACT** relating to the registration of pharmacy technicians.

*Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:*

Section 1. Section 155A.6, Code 2007, is amended to read as follows:

~~155A.6 PHARMACIST INTERNSHIP PROGRAM AND PHARMACY TECHNICIAN REGISTRATION.~~

1. A program of pharmacist internships is established. Each internship is subject to approval by the board.

2. A person desiring to be a pharmacist-intern in this state shall apply to the board for registration. The application must be on a form prescribed by the board. A pharmacist-intern shall be registered during internship training and thereafter pursuant to rules adopted by the board.

3. The board shall establish standards for pharmacist-intern registration and may deny, suspend, or revoke a pharmacist-intern registration for failure to meet the standards or for any violation of the laws of this state, another state, or the United States relating to prescription drugs, controlled substances, or nonprescription drugs, or for any violation of this chapter or chapter 124, 124A, 124B, 126, 147, or 205, or any rule of the board.

4. The board shall adopt rules in accordance with chapter 17A on matters pertaining to pharmacist-intern registration standards, registration fees, conditions of registration, termination of registration, and approval of preceptors.

~~5. A registration program for pharmacy technicians is established for the purposes of identification, tracking, and disciplinary action for the violation of federal drug laws or regulations, state drug or pharmacy laws, or board rules by pharmacy technicians. The registration shall not include any determination of the competency of the registered individual and, notwithstanding section 272C.2, subsection 1, shall not require continuing education for renewal. The ultimate responsibility for the actions of a pharmacy technician working under a licensed pharmacist's supervision shall remain with the licensed pharmacist.~~

~~6. A person who is or desires to be a pharmacy technician in this state shall apply to the board for registration. The application must be submitted on a form prescribed by the board. A pharmacy technician must be registered pursuant to rules adopted by the board.~~

~~7. The board may deny, suspend, or revoke a pharmacy technician registration for any violation of the laws of this state, another state, or the United States relating to prescription drugs, controlled substances, or nonprescription drugs, or for any violation of this chapter or chapter 124, 124A, 124B, 126, 147, or 205, or any rule of the board.~~

~~8. The board shall adopt rules in accordance with chapter 17A on matters pertaining to pharmacy technician registration applications, renewals, fees, termination of registration, and any other relevant matters.~~

Sec. 2. NEW SECTION. 155A.6A PHARMACY TECHNICIAN REGISTRATION.

1. A registration program for pharmacy technicians is established for the purpose of establishing technician competency and for the purposes of identification, tracking, and disciplinary action for the violation of federal drug laws or regulations, state drug or pharmacy laws, or board rules. The ultimate responsibility for the actions of a pharmacy technician working under a licensed pharmacist's supervision shall remain with the licensed pharmacist.

2. A person who is or desires to be a pharmacy technician in this state shall apply to the board for registration. The application shall be submitted on a form prescribed by the board. A pharmacy technician must be registered pursuant to rules adopted by the board. Except as provided in subsection 3, beginning July 1, 2010, all applicants for a new pharmacy technician registration or for a pharmacy technician renewal shall provide proof of current certification by a national technician certification authority approved by the board. Notwithstanding section 272C.2, subsection 1, a pharmacy technician registration shall not require continuing education for renewal.

3. Beginning July 1, 2009, a person who is in the process of acquiring national certification as a pharmacy technician and who is in training to become a pharmacy technician shall register with the board as a pharmacy technician. The registration shall be issued for a period not to exceed one year and shall not be renewable.

4. The board shall adopt rules in accordance with chapter 17A on matters pertaining to pharmacy technician registration, application, forms, renewals, fees, termination of registration, national certification, training, and any other relevant matters.

5. The board may deny, suspend, or revoke the registration of, or otherwise discipline, a registered pharmacy technician for any violation of the laws of this state, another state, or the United States relating to prescription drugs, controlled substances, or nonprescription drugs, or for any violation of this chapter or chapter 124, 124A, 124B, 126, 147, 205, or 272C, or any rule of the board.