



Board of Pharmacy

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Agenda

Wednesday, August 26th, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.

****This will be an online-only meeting. Use the following link to join****
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1. **Call to Order**
2. **Changes to the Agenda, if any**
3. **Review and approve minutes of July 22, 2020**
4. **Discipline:** None
5. **Topics for Discussion**
 - a. U.S. HHS's [Third Amendment to Declaration Under the Public Readiness and Emergency Preparedness Act for Medical Countermeasures Against COVID-19](#) (August 19, 2020). See [HHS press release](#).
 - Board may wish to discuss available resources for licensees, whether additional information is needed, whether State guidance is needed, and what practical issues may be encountered.
 - Parents should not present for pediatric immunization at Vermont retail pharmacies. Plans announced by U.S. HHS are yet to be implemented anywhere in the State.
 - b. Email inquiry re waiving requirement of inspection no older than three years for nonresident applicants due to COVID-19 impact on inspections
 - c. Executive Officer Report
 - d. Recent License Approvals
 - e. Stakeholder Meetings – none since last Board meeting
 - f. Pending State Legislation Relevant to Pharmacy
 - [S.220](#) – reviewed by House Government Operations Committee 8/21 and 8/25; testimony from stakeholders regarding Pharmacy sections, particularly prescriptive authority, remains supportive; no questions received from the committee members; it is likely to be voted upon later this week
 - [S.233](#) – reviewed by same committee 8/21 and 8/25; some questions and possible modifications may be made
 - g. Administrative Rules
 - Update on 2020 working draft to date (*no draft walk-through this month*)
 - To-date, content from Parts 1 through 9, Parts 12, 13, 15, 18 and 20 (in total) and Part 10 up to Rule 10.16 of the current Rules have been revised and/or stricken; revised content has been incorporated into the Draft revision
 - New Rules in Draft revision
 - prohibition of third-party companies participating in the applications process
 - Continuous Quality Improvement programs for all pharmacies
 - discuss regulatory approaches to safe working conditions, past legislative proposals on point, and the 2019 report from AACP, ACPE, APHA, NABP and NASPA, *Enhancing Well-being and Resilience Among the Pharmacist Workforce: A National Consensus Conference*.
 - *USP <800> and non-compounding pharmacies*
 - h. Rule 8.3 Drug Outlet Closures
 - Review of data of closures
 - Discuss clarifications needed
 1. Unplanned closures
 2. Discontinuation and sale of retail pharmacy without physical closure
 3. Review draft Board communication to all in-state pharmacy managers and business owners

6. **Other Business – 2020 NABP District 1/2 Annual Meeting**
 - a. Board message to Carmen Catizone to be presented at the 2020 NABP District 1/2 Annual meeting
 - b. Discuss Resolution submission
7. **Public Comment**
8. **Adjournment**

Next Scheduled Meeting – Wednesday, September 23, 2020