Board Meeting Actions – July 28-29, 2021

The California State Board of Pharmacy took the following actions July 28-29, 2021:

- Completed an annual review of the Board's Strategic Plan and incorporated committee recommendations for strategic goals.
- Delegated to the President authority to work with staff to evaluate stakeholder comments and provide recommendations to guide a discussion of the Board's strategic goals during a September 2021 Board meeting.
- Approved the release of frequently asked questions regarding electronic data transmission prescriptions.
- Approved the release of frequently asked questions related to regulations governing automated drug delivery systems.
- Voted to extend expiration dates for the following waivers:
 - Pharmacists Initiating and Administering Vaccines [(CCR section 1746.4(d))] –
 Expiration: Ninety days after the emergency declaration is lifted.
 - Duty to Consult (Title 16, California Code of Regulations, section 1707.2(a)) –
 Expiration: October 31, 2021, or until 30 days after the emergency declaration is lifted, whichever is sooner.
 - Prelicensure Inspection at Proposed Location of an Automated Drug Delivery
 System (ADDS) Business and Professions Code sections 4119.11(a)(9) and BPC

 4427.2(e) Expiration: October 31, 2021, or until 30 days after the emergency declaration is lifted, whichever is sooner.
 - Staffing Ratio of Pharmacists to Intern Pharmacists and General Supervision Immunizations BPC section 4114 Expiration: November 29, 2021, or until 30 days after the emergency is lifted, whichever is sooner.
- Approved a site-specific, 90-day waiver to Title 16, California Code of Regulations, section 1707.2(b)(1)(C)(ii), related to Duty to Consult, for University of California student health pharmacies.
- Voted to initiate rulemaking to amend Title 16, California Code of Regulations, section 1746.4, related to Pharmacists Initiating and Administering Vaccines.
- Voted to schedule a summit to discuss pharmacy technician duties and the pharmacist-to-pharmacy technician ratio at a time that will allow in-person participation.
- Voted to table a proposal to create a new license program for advanced practice pharmacy technician.
- Adopted regulation language for Title 16, California Code of Regulations, section 1715.6, related to Reporting Drug Losses.

The Board also reviewed its positions on the following legislation:

- AB 107 (Salas) Licensure: Veterans and Military Spouses Neutral.
- AB 527 (Wood) Controlled Substances Support.
- AB 1064 (Fong) Pharmacy Practice: Vaccines: Independent Initiation Support.
- AB 1328 (Irwin) Clinical Laboratory Technology and Pharmacists Support.
- AB 1533 (Assembly Business and Professions Committee) Pharmacy Support.
- SB 306 (Pan) Sexually Transmitted Disease; Testing Support.
- SB 310 (Rubio) Unused Medications: Cancer Medication Recycling Oppose Unless Amended.
- SB 362 (Newman) Community Pharmacy: Quotas Support.
- SB 409 (Caballero) Pharmacy Practice: SARS-CoV-2 and Influenza Testing Board sponsored.
- SB 524 (Skinner) Health Care Coverage: Patient Steering Support.
- SB 731 (Durazo) Criminal Records: Relief Oppose Unless Amended.

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