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TO: ALL PHARMACISTS AND TECHNICIANS

**FROM: LARRY PINSON, EXECUTIVE SECRETARY
NEVADA STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY**

PHARMACEUTICAL TECHNICIAN LAW CE

Pursuant to a request by the Pharmaceutical Technician Advisory Committee, the Board of Pharmacy has passed a regulation requiring pharmaceutical technicians to obtain a minimum of one hour (1 CEU) of law CE prior to licensure renewal. The regulation became effective in April of this year meaning that the requirement will need to be met prior to PT renewal by October 31st of 2010. **IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT YOU AS PHARMACISTS HELP COMMUNICATE THIS NEW REQUIREMENT TO YOUR TECHNICIANS.**

The law CE can be obtained by attending a Board of Pharmacy meeting or by attending a Board of Pharmacy Law CE presentation along with pharmacists. The Board recognizes the important role that pharmaceutical technicians play in providing quality pharmaceutical care to Nevadans and the need for all healthcare professionals to keep abreast of ever changing statutes and regulations. The Law CE will also provide a forum for the discussion of the ever increasing technician diversion issues the Board faces. Auditing of the Law CE will be accomplished during your pharmacy's annual inspection so the certificates should be logged in your technicians' in-service training hours file. Advise your technicians that they DO NOT send Law CE documentation to the Board office.