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Partial Waiver of Restriction on Pharmaceutical Technicians in Training to Employment in One Pharmacy/Extension of Time to Renew Registration in Response to COVID-19

In order to accommodate and anticipate a shortage of pharmacy personnel to respond to the COVID-19 outbreak, the Nevada State Board of Pharmacy has partially waived the existing regulation restricting the registration of pharmaceutical technicians in training to employment in one pharmacy. *See* NAC 639.242(5).

This partial waiver is being issued in accordance with NAC 639.170.

Pharmaceutical technicians in training registered with the Board will not be restricted to employment in the pharmacy specified on the certificate of registration and may be rotated and utilized at multiple Nevada-licensed pharmacies in accordance with the following requirements:

- The managing pharmacist of any pharmacy that utilizes the services of a pharmaceutical technician in training pursuant to this waiver shall be responsible for filing the affidavit required by NAC 639.242(6) and shall also certify the dates that the pharmaceutical technician in training was on duty in that pharmacy;
- The managing pharmacist of any pharmacy that utilizes the services of a pharmaceutical technician in training pursuant to this waiver shall be responsible for accounting for the pharmaceutical technician in training when complying with the recordkeeping requirements of NAC 639.245(1);
- The managing pharmacist of any pharmacy that utilizes the services of a pharmaceutical technician in training pursuant to this waiver shall be responsible for the acts of the pharmaceutical technician pursuant to NRS 639.220(1) and NAC 639.702; and
- The pharmacy that utilizes the services of a pharmaceutical technician in training pursuant to this waiver shall be responsible for the acts of the pharmaceutical technician pursuant to NRS 639.350(5), NAC 639.702 and NAC 639.945(2).

In addition, in conformance with the Governor's Declaration of Emergency Directive 009 Section 2 (issued March 31, 2020), any registration of a pharmaceutical technician in training that is set to expire on or after the date of the Declaration of Emergency, March 12, 2020, is extended and shall remain effective until June 30, 2020, pursuant to NAC 639.242(4).

NOTE: The Board will not be approving policies, procedures, or technology solutions, but the Nevada licensed pharmacy should be able to justify how the policies, procedures, or technology meets the requirements of this partial waiver.

This partial waiver is in effect until July 31, 2021.

For questions regarding this partial waiver, please e-mail the Board office at pharmacy@pharmacy.nv.gov

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