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<u>Partial Waiver of Certain Restrictions on the Services which may be Performed by</u> <u>Pharmaceutical Technicians in Hospitals in Response to COVID-19</u>

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To promote patient access to pharmaceutical care in hospitals during the COVID-19 outbreak, the Nevada State Board of Pharmacy has partially waived certain restrictions on the services which may be performed by pharmaceutical technicians in hospitals. *See* NAC 639.245.

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

A pharmaceutical technician under the direct supervision of a pharmacist may administer a controlled substance or dangerous drug to a patient in a hospital pursuant to a written hospital policy by the following methods:

- Orally; and
- Topically.

NOTE: The Board will not be approving policies, procedures, or technology solutions, but a hospital 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 September 15, 2020.

For questions regarding this guidance, please e-mail the Board office at <u>pharmacy@pharmacy.nv.gov</u>.

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