



Memorandum

Date: March 20, 2020

To: Licensed Pharmacies
Compounding Pharmacies
Pharmacists

From: Dawn B. Crim, Secretary-designee

The Wisconsin Pharmacy Examining Board granted a [rule variance](#) that allows pharmacists and compounding pharmacy personnel to re-use personal protective equipment (PPE) during the COVID-19 public health emergency. The decision is in response to a request from the Pharmacy Society of Wisconsin and seeks to compensate for the current shortage of PPE, which is essential to keeping front-line healthcare providers safe as they treat COVID-19 patients. The decision applies to all PPE listed in Wis. Admin. Code Phar § 15.31(5) and is valid for 90 days from notification on March 17, 2020.