

Pharmacy Examining Board

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Pharmacist to Pharmacy Technician Ratio Pilot Program Information

Authority:

Pursuant to Wisconsin Stat. § 450.02(3r)(a), this pilot program is related to the practice of pharmacy or prescription verification and the Board determines that the program will improve the safety, quality or efficiency of the practice of pharmacy in this state. **The Board may modify the parameters of the Pilot Program at any time and participants shall remain in the Pilot Program at the discretion of the Board.**

Purpose: The purpose of the Pharmacist to Pharmacy Technician Ratio Program is to study the safety, quality, and efficiency of waiving the ratio if a pharmacy meets eligibility requirements.

Waives: Phar 7.01 (3), Wis. Admin. Code

Pilot Duration: October 1, 2016 to September 30, 2019 (or promulgation of rules whichever is sooner).

Pharmacy Eligibility:

1. The pharmacy shall be located and licensed in the state of Wisconsin.
2. The managing pharmacist shall coordinate a continuous quality improvement (CQI) program that includes:
 - a. Written CQI policies and procedures
 - b. Pharmacy personnel training on medication errors and CQI principles
 - c. Ability for pharmacy personnel to document and report quality related events

Records

1. Each pharmacy shall maintain records for 5 years, available to the Board upon request, of the following:
 - a. The date and number of hours worked by a pharmacy technician that day
 - b. The date and number of hours worked by a pharmacist that day
 - c. The date and the pharmacist to pharmacy technician hours worked ratio that day

Reporting Requirements

1. The managing pharmacist shall annually submit to the Board, on a form approved by the Board, all of the following:
 - a. The total number of hours worked by a pharmacy technician each month
 - b. The total number of hours worked by a pharmacist each month
 - c. The pharmacist to pharmacy technician hours worked ratio each month

Application: The managing pharmacist shall submit a Board approved application and receive approval of the Board to participate in the Pilot Program.