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Tony Evers, Governor Dawn B. Crim, Secretary

April 15, 2020

Philip J. Trapskin [redacted] [redacted]

RE: Variance Request per Wis. Stat. § 450.02(3m)

Dear Mr. Trapskin,

On April 14, 2020, the Wisconsin Pharmacy Examining Board reviewed your variance request. You requested a variance of Wis. Admin. Code § Phar 7.01(1)(e) and (em), to temporarily relax the consulting and delivery requirements when delivering medications or devices to a patient. The stated purpose of the request is to allow flexibility regarding consultation and delivery to help compensate for workforce and personal protective equipment shortages during the COVID-19 emergency.

The effect of the variance would modify § Phar 7.01(1)(e) and (em) to read as follows:

(e) The pharmacist may use their professional judgment to determine if and how consultation is provided.

(em) Transfer the prescription to the patient or agent of the patient. <u>Transfer may take place at any location that is appropriate under the circumstances and agreeable to the patient, and may be done by any appropriate delegate.</u>

The Board considered the evidence presented and determined that the requirements of Wis. Stat. § 450.02(3m)(a) have been met. Your variance, as requested, has been granted. This variance shall apply to all persons legally permitted to practice pharmacy in the state of Wisconsin, and shall remain in effect for 90 days from today's date pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 450.02(3m)(b), unless modified or extended by further action of the Pharmacy Examining Board.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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