

## CHAPTER 16

### IMMUNIZATION REGULATIONS

#### Section 1. Authority.

These regulations are promulgated as authorized by W.S. 33-24-157.

#### Section 2. Definitions.

(a) "Healthy Adults" means ~~for the purpose of this chapter~~ those individuals who are ~~nineteen (19)~~eighteen (18) years of age or older and have no absolute contraindications to receive immunizations allowed in this Cchapter.

(b) "Minor" means those individuals who are seven (7) years of age or older but have not attained the age of eighteen (18) years old and have no absolute contraindications to receive immunizations allowed in this chapter.

(c) "High Risk Adults" means for the purpose of this chapter those adults ~~nineteen (19)~~eighteen (18) years of age or older who may have an absolute or relative contraindication to receive immunizations as allowed by this Cchapter for whom a physician has issued a prescription authorizing a pharmacist to dispense and administer an immunization. Only those pharmacists that meet the qualifications of this chapter may administer an immunization to a high risk adult.

~~(d) "Immunizations" means for the purpose of this chapter those vaccines which a pharmacist may prescribe or administer to healthy adults or those vaccines which may be administered on a specific order of a physician for high risk adults and shall be restricted to the following vaccines:"~~Immunizations" means treatment as by vaccination of an organism for the purpose of making it immune to a particular pathogen.

(e) "Private Space" means a physical area separated from the pharmacy and the non-pharmacy area of business that is no less than 8 feet by 8 feet 48 square feet and has at least an 8 feet tall partition that is completely solid from the floor to the top to ensure patient safety and confidentiality. The partition cannot be a curtain.

~~(f) "Vaccine" means a preparation of killed microorganisms, toxoids, living attenuated organisms, or living fully virulent organisms, that is administered to produce or artificially increase immunity to a particular disease.~~

#### Section 3. ~~Adults (age 18 and older)~~age 18 and older)

(a) Vaccines which a pharmacist may prescribe and administer to healthy adults or may be administered by a prescription of a physician for high risk adults shall be restricted to:

~~(i)~~(i) Human papillomavirus (HPV)

~~(ii)~~(ii) Hepatitis A

- ~~(iv)~~(iii) Hepatitis B
- (iv) Influenza
- (v) Measles, mumps, rubella (MMR)
- (vi) Meningococcal
- (vii) Pneumococcal (Polysaccharide)
- (viii) Tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis (Td, Tdap)
- (ix) Varicella
- (x) Zoster

Section 4. Minors (age 7 through 17).

(a) Vaccines which a pharmacist may prescribe and administer to a minor shall be restricted to:

- (i) Human papillomavirus (HPV)
- (ii) Hepatitis A
- (iii) Hepatitis B
- (iv) Influenza
- (v) Measles, mumps, rubella (MMR)
- (vi) Meningococcal
- (vii) Pneumococcal (Polysaccharide)
- (viii) Tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis (Td, Tdap)
- (ix) Varicella

(b) Parental or legal guardian consent shall be required for all minors receiving a vaccination. The parent or legal guardian shall be present during the administration.

Section ~~35~~. Qualifications.

(a) A pharmacist licensed by the Bboard may prescribe and administer immunizations to healthy ~~adults~~ individuals, age 7 years of age and older, or administer immunizations to high risk adults authorized by a physician provided the pharmacist has:

- (i) Registered with the board to prescribe and administer immunizations;

(ii) Successfully completed the American Pharmaceuticalists Association's (APhA) immunization training certification program entitled "Pharmacy-Based Immunization Delivery" or the Washington State Pharmacy Association's immunization training certification program entitled "Vaccinating Adults and Adolescents: An Immunization Program Practicum Session";

~~(iii)~~(iii) Successfully completed training specific to administering vaccines to the pediatric population if they will be administering to minors.

~~(iii)~~(iv) Current certification in ~~basic~~healthcare cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) offered by the American Heart Association or the American Red Cross; and

~~(iv)~~(v) Completed a minimum of one (1) contact hour (0.1 CEU) of continuing education related to immunizations annually. The continuing education must be by a provider approved by the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (A-C-P-E).

(b) ~~(b)~~ It is unprofessional conduct for a pharmacist, to prescribe or administer an immunization, who is not in compliance with this Chapter.

(c) A pharmacy intern who is registered to administer immunizations must do so under the direct supervision of the pharmacist who is registered to administer immunizations.

#### Section ~~46~~. Registration.

(a) Prior to prescribing or administering immunizations a pharmacist shall submit an application supplied by the ~~b~~Board and a \$10.00 fee. Provided all requirements of ~~Section 3(a)~~this Chapter have been met, the ~~board~~Board shall issue a registration. Registrations shall expire on December 31 of each year.

(b) Renewal applications will be mailed by the Board annually on or about November 1st.

(c) A pharmacist may not prescribe or administer an immunization unless currently registered with the Board under this Chapter.

#### Section ~~75~~. Immunizations.

(a) Immunizations authorized by this Chapter shall be prescribed in accordance with the latest notice from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). Specifically, CDC's "Recommended Adult Immunization Schedule, by Vaccine and Age Group" and "Recommended Adult Immunization Schedule, by Vaccine and Medical and Other Indications", or "Recommended immunization schedule for persons aged 0 through 18 years" including the footnotes provided for each schedule, shall be utilized by the pharmacist when considering the eligibility of a healthy ~~adult~~ individual to receive an immunization. The latest notice from CDC may be found at CDC's website (<http://www.cdc.gov>) ~~or (<http://www.cdc.gov/nip/recs/adult-schedule-bw.pdf>).~~

(b) In addition to the requirements of ~~Section 5(a)~~ of this eChapter, the pharmacist shall utilize the manufacturer's package insert for indications, contraindications, adverse reactions, ~~adult~~ dosing, route of administration, specifics regarding administration, and storage requirements for each specific immunization authorized by this chapter.

(c) All immunizations shall be administered with the individual receiving the vaccine and pharmacists administering the vaccine seated with back support and next to each other.

Section ~~68~~. Vaccine Information Statement.

A current *Vaccine Information Statement*, as provided by CDC, shall be provided to each person receiving an immunization for each immunization administered. The *Vaccine Information Statement* is available from CDC's website (<http://www.cdc.gov>) ~~or (<http://www.cdc.gov/nip/publications/VIS/default.htm>)~~.

Section ~~79~~. Record-keeping.

(a) An Immunization Questionnaire and Consent Form, ~~as provided by the board,~~ shall be completed for each ~~person~~ individual receiving an immunization. Two (2) copies shall be provided to the patient. Patients shall be instructed to send one copy to their medical provider. The consent form shall include:

(i) Documentation that the pharmacist has discussed the side effects with the patient;

(ii) A recommendation that the patient stays in the vicinity for fifteen (15) minutes; and if the patient chooses not to stay, the pharmacist has discussed how to seek treatment for side effects should they occur

(b) The Immunization Questionnaire and Consent Form ~~and waivers~~ shall be filed in a manner that will allow timely retrieval and shall be on file for a time period not less than six (6) years. All records shall be maintained in the pharmacy where the pharmacist who administered the immunization is employed.

~~(c) The Immunization Questionnaire and Consent Form shall be kept on file for a time period not less than six (6) years from the date of the immunization. A record of the immunization shall be entered into the Wyoming Immunization Registry (WYIR) for all minors.~~

Section ~~108~~. Emergencies.

(a) A pharmacist authorized to prescribe and administer immunizations under this eChapter may administer auto-inject epinephrine in the management of an acute allergic reaction to an immunization following guidelines issued by the American Pharmacy ~~ists~~ Association's (APhA) or Washington State Pharmacy Association's immunization training certification program.

(b) A pharmacist shall post a protocol as outlined in APhA's or Washington

State Pharmacy Association's immunization training certification program and maintain an emergency kit which is readily retrievable to manage an acute allergic reaction to an ~~immunization~~ vaccine administered.

~~(c) If a patient refuses to be observed for the fifteen (15) minutes after the vaccination has been administered, the patient (or parent or legal guardian of a minor) must sign a waiver stating they have discussed with the pharmacist the possible side effects and how to seek treatment.~~

#### Section 11. Immunizations Administered Off-Site

(a) Vaccines may be administered by a pharmacist at a site away from the pharmacy if proper storage, transportation, and disposal of vaccines and supplies are followed, in addition to all other requirements of this ~~Ge~~ chapter.

(b) The sponsoring organization will keep the records of administration for a period of not less than six (6) years.