

MINUTES
WYOMING STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY MEETING
September 22-23, 2004
Casper, WY

SUBJECT	DISCUSSION	ACTION TAKEN
June 10, 2004 board minutes	Minutes reviewed. No changes noted	Minutes approved, 3/0
WPAP Quarterly Report	George Vandell, executive director presented report for period July, August, and September.	No action required
USP General Chapter 797-Sterile Compounding	The board discussed the implications of 797 guidelines. In attendance were representatives from 6 pharmacies involved with sterile compounding (James Karczewski-Coram Healthcare; Nate Smedley- Microdrip; John Arross-WY Med Center; Mindy Rasmussen-United Med. Center; Waldo Roth-Zoopharm; & Bill Burluson-Riverton Memorial).	A working group is to be formed to work with the staff in developing proposed rules for Chapter 13, Compounding, which deal with sterile compounding. The group is to be composed of those pharmacists in attendance at today's meeting as well as other pharmacists involved with sterile compounding who have an interest to work on these changes. First meeting to be in January or Feb.
Chapter 2, Section 14, Pharmacy Act Rules and Regulations-Physician/patient relationship	Discussed proposed change in language. Suggested language reads "Upon learning that a patient/practitioner relationship has been terminated for reasons other than discharge of the patient by the practitioner, a pharmacist utilizing his/her professional judgment may honor patient's request for remaining medication refills, but not for a period exceeding twelve months."	Draft language approved, will be shared with board of medicine and included with rule-making next summer.
Remote Pharmacy Technology	Discussed actions required by the board before remote pharmacy technology could be implemented in Wyoming.	Board decided to not pursue change in statute or rules/regulations at this time.
Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP)	Discussed the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Results of education series presented this summer. • Staffing/equipment for PDMP program • Threshold to be used for unsolicited patient profiles 	Threshold set at five, which means any patient utilizing 5 or more pharmacies in one month and 5 or more practitioners in one month will be identified for unsolicited patient profiles. Practitioners from the same office address will be considered as one practitioner.
Should a pharmacist have the right to refuse to dispense a prescription product because of their beliefs?	Proposed language was discussed. Suggested language as follows: "A pharmacist may choose to not dispense a prescription based on personal beliefs provided the patient is told what other options are available and the prescription is returned to the patient."	Draft language approved and will be included with rule-making next summer.

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Mountain States Precursor Committee- Richard Burton, Board Compliance Officer	Richard gave a report from this meeting. It involved Montana, Colorado, Utah & Wyoming with some attendees from Arizona, New Mexico and Canada. The meeting primarily dealt with methamphetamine issues. Attendees included law enforcement, DEA, & other federal agencies. They plan to meet on a quarterly basis.	Staff will continue to participate in these meetings.
Pharmaceutical Research & Manufacturers of America (PhRMA)- William J. Thomson	Mr. Thomson presented a request from PhRMA for the board to consider during their rule-making next summer. PhRMA's request dealt with generic drug substitution and in particular they request the board consider a rule requiring the pharmacist to seek practitioner and patient approval before any generic substitution is made.	The board decided to not seek a change in rule in 2005.
Federal legislation dealing with Internet pharmacies and controlled substance diversion/abuse	Status of HR 3880 & HR3870 briefly discussed. Both bills were referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce and then referred to the Subcommittee on Health on May 11, 2004.	No action required
Proposed changes in the Wyoming Pharmacy Act	Representative Doug Osborne and Senator John Barrasso, MD have agreed to sponsor the board's legislative package. Legislation deals with both resident and non-resident pharmacy licensure.	Follow progress of bill during upcoming session of the Wyoming Legislature.
Federation of State Medical Boards Workshop	Discussed attendees for the Federation's upcoming workshops entitled "Promoting Balance and Consistency in the Regulatory Oversight of Pain Care"	Randy Harrop and Richard Burton to attend a workshop in 2005. Cost to be covered by Federation of State Medical Boards.
Pharmacy internship hours gained out of state	Discussed current rule and correspondence between Florida and Wyoming regarding certification of internship hours. Florida effective September 2004 will no longer certify any intern hours gained in Florida, but will accept practical experience gained via a PharmD program to meet the practical experience requirement for Florida. Discussed problem resulting when a student seeks licensure by exam in Wyoming who attended and gained all practical experience in Florida. Wyoming Rules require any intern hours gained out of state to be certified by that state board of pharmacy where experience was gained.	Jim to request NABP to survey all states regarding internship hours gained out of state. Report at next board meeting.
Web page update	Status: no action to date to make changes discussed at June meeting.	Report at next board meeting.

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NABP's survey results regarding score transfer/license transfer from California	Discussed letter from NABP	For board information.
DEA's Federal Register notice regarding importation of controlled substances into the United State-Bill Reinig-DEA	Mr. Reinig reviewed briefly the Federal Register notice regarding importation of controlled substances into the US	For board information.
Criminal Background Histories	Discussed the requirement that any applicant for registration as a pharmacy intern or pharmacy technician-in-training provide fee and fingerprints for a criminal background history.	The board requested the staff review the feasibility of such a requirement for the next board meeting.
WPAP Board of Directors	Neal Kluck has resigned his position as a representative of the board on WPAP's board of directors. Discussed a replacement.	Jennifer Nevins, RPh selected as the board's representative on WPAP's board of director effective 3-1-05.
Next Board Meeting	Dates discussed	February 16-17, 2005 in Cheyenne.

Respectively Submitted:

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