

**WYOMING STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY MEETING  
January 17 & 18, 2001, Cheyenne, Wyoming**

<b>ITEM</b>	<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<b>ACTION TAKEN</b>
October 25 <sup>th</sup> & 26 <sup>th</sup> Minutes		October 25 <sup>th</sup> & 26 <sup>th</sup> minutes approved as written
CDC National Pharmaceutical Stockpile	Representatives from the Wyoming Emergency Management Agency and Department of Health presented an overview of the program. The Department of Health will be responsible for developing procedures for utilization of this program. Handouts were provided	The Board of Pharmacy's role is uncertain, but if necessary the Board's staff will participate as requested by the Department of Health.
Legislation	<p>Pharmacy Act- amendments (SF0083); Pharmacy Technician Act- amendments (HB0254); and Controlled Substance Act-registrations (HB0153) were discussed.</p> <p>The following bills were discussed, although the Board of Pharmacy was not involved, except for HB0129.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• HB0166- Prescription Drug Division</li> <li>• HB0163-Animal Euthanasia Technician Board</li> <li>• HB0129-Controlled Substance Act, amendments</li> </ul>	The Board's staff will testify at committee meetings regarding those bills requested by the Board. The Board will oppose HB0166.
Board Order 00-01	<p>The adopted rules were approved by the Governor on 12/5/00 and filed with the Secretary of State's office on 12/8/00. Updated chapters will not be mailed to licensed pharmacies until the final outcome of the public hearing scheduled for tomorrow is decided. If rules are adopted at the hearing on 1/18/01 and approved by the Governor, a mailing of all revised chapters will be mailed to all pharmacies licensed by the Board.</p> <p>A letter has been sent to all pharmacy technicians-in-training regarding the change in exam. Information was sent regarding test dates and contact phone numbers for the Pharmacy Technician Certification Board. An application for licensure as a pharmacy technician has been developed and will be utilized for individuals seeking licensure in Wyoming</p>	Board Order 00-1 was posted on the Board's web page An update will be presented at the April meeting.

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Collaborative Practice Advisory Committee	<p>A cover letter and application will be sent to all hospitals in Wyoming regarding institutional pharmacy practice. With this mailing a copy of Chapter 12 of the Board's rules (Institutional Pharmacy Practice) was included as well as a copy of the inspection form, which will be utilized for board inspections.</p>	<p>The committee is currently composed of the following individuals:  <b>Jennifer Nevins</b>, RPh-representing Board of Pharmacy.  <b>Michael DeBisschop</b>, PharmD-selected by the Board for the pharmacist-at-large position.  <b>Laura Ferries</b>, MD, representing Board of Medicine  <b>Dan Grinstead</b>, MD, representing the physician-at-large position.  <b>Jim Carder</b>, RPh-executive director</p>
Board Objectives 2001	<p>Discussed the following areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Implementation of institutional pharmacy practice rules.</li> <li>• Health Fairs</li> <li>• Staffing</li> <li>• Pharmacy law CE</li> </ul>	<p>The Board agreed to the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Implementation of institutional pharmacy practice rules- The Board will emphasize education during inspections this year. This will be the first time hospital pharmacy practice has been reviewed by the Board.</li> <li>• Health Fairs- Board members as well as staff will participate in health fairs. The emphasis will be on enhancing consumer awareness of the Board.</li> <li>• Staffing- Upgrade Karen Brock's responsibilities and job description. Develop a second secretarial position for inclusion in BFY 02-03 budget.</li> </ul>
Rule-making considerations for 2001	<p>Discussed the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Revising pharmacy technician regulations</li> <li>• Revising pharmacist license renewal regulations</li> <li>• Develop electronic prescription regulations</li> <li>• Develop compounding regulations</li> <li>• Revising patient counseling regulations</li> <li>• revising manufacturer/wholesaler regulations.</li> </ul>	<p>Provided the proposed legislation is approved, the following will be the priority for 2001 rule-making considerations:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Revising pharmacist license renewal applications</li> <li>2. Revising pharmacy technician regulations</li> <li>3. Developing electronic prescription regulations</li> </ol>

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Criminal background checks-Board of Nursing presentation	Mary Calkins and Fran Hawkins gave a presentation on what the Board of Nursing does regarding criminal background checks. All applicants for licensure (RN's, LPN's, & CNA's) with the Board of Nursing are required to have a criminal background completed by federal and state authorities. The Board of Nursing charges \$60/applicant. They process approximately 180 sets of fingerprints a month and the turnaround time is up to 6 months. They will issue a license before the background check is received, but if necessary they conduct an administrative hearing to revoke the license if the criminal background check warrants such action. This background check does take considerable time by Board of Nursing staff, but each felt the result was worth the effort.	The Board is interested in pursuing this for any applicant for licensure as a pharmacist or pharmacy technician. It will require a change in statute and adoption of rules and regulations. The Board's staff will visit with other licensing boards (Board of Medicine, Dentistry etc) and if they are interested, try and develop legislation for introduction in 2002 or 2003 legislature.
Beyond use dates on labeling for prescription drugs	Discussed a letter received from the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy (NABP) and the American Medical Association (AMA). At the 2000 Annual Meeting of the AMA, their House of Delegates reaffirmed existing policy "that pharmacists place a beyond-use date on the labeling of all prescription medications dispensed to patients and, that the beyond-use date be based on the most recent recommendations contained in the <i>United States Pharmacopeia/National Formulary</i> ".	The Board decided to not take any action regarding this matter, and no proposed rule making will be developed.
Tracy Farris, Wyoming Council for Advanced Practice Nurses	Ms. Farris discussed with the Board a proposed bill before the legislature (HB0117), which would expand their prescriptive authority to include schedule II controlled substances.	The Board will not oppose this legislation and a letter was written to Ms. Farris indicating support from the Board of Pharmacy for this proposed bill.
MPJE/NAPLEX study guides	These study guides are available off the internet at no charge. They may be accessed via NABP's web page <a href="http://www.nabp.net">www.nabp.net</a>	No action required
<b>Select date for next Board meeting</b>		<b>Tentative dates of April 10,11 or April 17,18. Determination to be made within 2 weeks.</b>

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Public Hearing on Proposed Rules

The Board conducted a public hearing on Thursday, January 18 from 9am to approximately 10am to hear comments regarding the proposed rules, which were continued from the October 26 public hearing. One written comment was received, but no oral testimony was presented. The written comment received was the same as received during the October 26 public hearing.

The Board issued a rule making order (01-1). This order will be posted on the Board's web page <http://pharmacyboard.state.wy.us>

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