

Hi Ben.

I am at the CA BoP meeting today and they are talking about technician training requirements. They mentioned requiring additional training for techs that work in sterile compounding.

I pulled up our supportive personnel rules to look at what our training requirements were (16.19.22.9.B - see below). Within that section it makes reference to training requirements in 16.19.6.11.C but I do not see the training requirements there. I do see it in 16.19.36.13.C. Do we need to update 16.19.22.9 to correctly reference the part of our rules that detail additional training for techs working in sterile compounding?

Thanks

**16.19.22.9 TRAINING AND EDUCATION:**

**A.** The pharmacist-in-charge shall ensure that the pharmacy technician has completed initial training which includes:

- (1) federal and state laws and regulations that affect pharmacy practice; specific regulations which address the use of supportive personnel and technicians;
- (2) ethical and professional standards of practice;
- (3) medical and pharmaceutical terminology, symbols and abbreviations used in the practice of pharmacy and components of a prescription;
- (4) pharmaceutical calculations necessary for the preparation and dispensing of drug products;
- (5) manufacturing, preparation, packaging, labeling and proper storage of drug products;
- (6) dosage forms and routes of administration; and
- (7) trade and generic names for medications frequently dispensed by the pharmacy;
- (8) basic comprehension of pharmacology;
- (9) basic knowledge of appropriate pharmacy references.

**B.** If the duties of the technician will include the preparation of sterile products then, in addition to the training and education requirements listed in this section, the technician will complete training outlined in Paragraph (2) of Subsection C of 16.19.6.11 NMAC.

**C.** A written record of training and education will be maintained by the pharmacy technician and contain the following:

- (1) name of person receiving the training;
- (2) date(s) of the training;
- (3) description of the topics covered;
- (4) names of the person(s) who provided the training; and
- (5) signature of the technician and the technician training sponsor.

**D.** A written record of training and education must be submitted to the board with certification exam documentation to obtain certified pharmacy technician registration.

**E.** All technicians are required to obtain board approved certification within one year of registration with the board as a technician. Extensions will no longer be granted to pharmacy technicians registered on or after November 15, 2010.

**F.** The pharmacist-in-charge shall be responsible for the implementation of policies and procedures for additional training appropriate to duties and responsibilities performed by a pharmacy technician as well as an ongoing quality assurance plan to assure competency.

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