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PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY

Public hearing scheduled for 12/8/2005.

NAC 639.2971 Written protocol for immunization; deviation. (NRS 454.213, 639.070)

- 1. A pharmacist *or intern pharmacist* may administer immunizations by an intranasal, intramuscular or subcutaneous injection in compliance with a written protocol from a physician that authorizes a pharmacist *or intern pharmacist* to administer such an immunization. Such a protocol must contain:
- (a) The name of the physician who is authorizing the administration of immunizations by a pharmacist *or intern pharmacist*;
- (b) The name of the pharmacist *or intern pharmacist* authorized to administer immunizations;
- (c) The location or locations at which the pharmacist *or intern pharmacist* may administer immunizations:
 - (d) The immunizations that may be administered by the pharmacist *or intern pharmacist*;
- (e) Detailed policies and procedures that the pharmacist *or intern pharmacist* must follow while administering immunizations, including, without limitation, procedures to follow in the case of adverse reactions or emergencies following administration;
- (f) A procedure requiring the pharmacist *or intern pharmacist* to report the administration of immunizations to the physician issuing the written protocol, including, without limitation:
 - (1) A specification of the time within which such reporting must occur; and
- (2) A requirement that the pharmacist *or intern pharmacist* submit a periodic status report concerning any problems, complications or emergencies encountered while administering immunizations:
- (g) A procedure for the review of the protocol and its operation by the pharmacist *or intern pharmacist* and the physician at least once annually, and the making and keeping of a record of the review;
- (h) A restriction that the pharmacist *or intern pharmacist* may not administer any immunization to a patient who is less than 14 years of age;
- (i) A restriction that the pharmacist *or intern pharmacist* may not delegate his authority to administer an immunization;
- (j) A restriction that the pharmacist *or intern pharmacist* may not administer an immunization except at the authorized location, which location may not be the home of the patient, unless the patient resides in a licensed facility for long-term care or in a hospital;
- (k) A requirement that the immunizations will be administered according to all applicable federal, state and local laws;
- (l) A restriction that the pharmacist, *the intern pharmacist*, the pharmacy or the business at which the immunizations will be administered is prohibited from paying, offering or otherwise giving any remuneration to the physician for providing a written protocol or authorizing the administration of an immunization to any patient; and

- (m) The signature of the physician authorizing the administration of the immunizations and the effective dates of the written protocol.
- 2. If a physician orders a deviation from the written protocol with a pharmacist *or intern pharmacist* for the benefit of a specific patient, the physician shall note the deviations from the written protocol in the record of the patient.