

**PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE  
STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY**

**LCB File No. R010-26**

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets ~~[omitted material]~~ is material to be omitted.

AUTHORITY: § 1, NRS 639.070 and 639.1371.

A REGULATION relating to pharmaceutical technicians in training; revising provisions governing the registration of pharmaceutical technicians in training; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Legislative Counsel's Digest:**

Existing law authorizes the State Board of Pharmacy to adopt regulations necessary for the protection of the public regarding the practice of pharmacy and the lawful performance of its duties. (NRS 639.070) Existing law requires the State Board of Pharmacy to adopt regulations establishing the qualifications for registration as a pharmaceutical technician, including certain training and experience. (NRS 639.1371) Existing law provides for registration as a pharmaceutical technician in training in order for a person to obtain the training and experience required to be a pharmaceutical technician. (NRS 639.0115, 639.1371) Existing regulations establish the qualifications for registration as a pharmaceutical technician in training, which include a minimum age of 18 years and a minimum educational level of graduation from high school or its equivalent. (NAC 639.242) This regulation: (1) reduces the minimum age requirement for an applicant for registration as a pharmaceutical technician in training to 16 years of age; and (2) revises the minimum education level for such registration to include enrollment in a program of instruction leading to graduation from high school or its equivalent.

**Section 1.** NAC 639.242 is hereby amended to read as follows:

639.242 1. An applicant for registration as a pharmaceutical technician in training must:

- (a) Be ~~18~~ **16** years of age or older;
- (b) Be a high school graduate or the equivalent ~~or~~ **or enrolled in a program of instruction leading to such;** and

(c) Participate in training while on the job and acquire experience that is commensurate with the duties of his or her employment.

2. The Board may deny an application for registration as a pharmaceutical technician in training if the applicant has:

(a) Been convicted of any felony or a misdemeanor involving moral turpitude, dishonesty or the unlawful possession, sale or use of drugs; or

(b) A history of drug misuse.

3. A person may perform the duties of a pharmaceutical technician while the person is receiving the training and experience required by paragraph (c) of subsection 1 if he or she is registered with the Board.

4. If the Board does not deny the application pursuant to subsection 2 and determines that the applicant meets the requirements of this chapter and chapter 639 of NRS for registration as a pharmaceutical technician in training, the Board will issue a certificate of registration as a pharmaceutical technician in training to the applicant.

5. Registration as a pharmaceutical technician in training expires on October 31 of each even-numbered year unless renewed before that date.

6. The managing pharmacist of the pharmacy where a pharmaceutical technician in training is employed to receive the training and experience required by paragraph (c) of subsection 1 shall file with the Board a completed form prescribed by the Board certifying:

- (a) The number of hours of training and experience the trainee has successfully completed;
- (b) The specific training and experience the trainee has completed; and
- (c) That the trainee is competent to perform the duties of a pharmaceutical technician.