ADOPTED REGULATION OF THE

STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY

LCB File No. R120-09

Effective January 28, 2010

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

AUTHORITY: §1, NRS 639.070 and 639.1373.

A REGULATION relating to pharmacy; revising the requirements for a physician assistant to obtain a registration certificate to prescribe and dispense certain medications and devices; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Section 1. NAC 639.272 is hereby amended to read as follows:

639.272 1. The application of a physician assistant for:

- (a) A registration certificate to prescribe controlled substances, poisons, dangerous drugs and devices or to prescribe poisons, dangerous drugs and devices; or
- (b) A registration certificate to prescribe and dispense controlled substances, poisons,
 dangerous drugs and devices or to prescribe and dispense poisons, dangerous drugs and devices,
 → must be in writing and filed with the Executive Secretary.
- 2. Each application for a registration certificate to prescribe controlled substances, poisons, dangerous drugs and devices or to prescribe poisons, dangerous drugs and devices must include:
 - (a) The name, address, social security number and telephone number of the applicant;
- (b) A copy of the license issued by the Board of Medical Examiners or certificate issued by the State Board of Osteopathic Medicine that authorizes the applicant to prescribe controlled substances, poisons, dangerous drugs and devices or to prescribe poisons, dangerous drugs and devices;

- (c) The name, address and telephone number of the applicant's supervising physician; and
- (d) Any other information requested by the Board.
- 3. Each application for a registration certificate to prescribe and dispense controlled substances, poisons, dangerous drugs and devices or to prescribe and dispense poisons, dangerous drugs and devices must include:
 - (a) The name, address, social security number and telephone number of the applicant;
- (b) A copy of the license issued by the Board of Medical Examiners or certificate issued by the State Board of Osteopathic Medicine that authorizes the applicant to prescribe and dispense controlled substances, poisons, dangerous drugs and devices or to prescribe and dispense poisons, dangerous drugs and devices;
 - (c) The name, address and telephone number of the applicant's supervising physician; and
 - (d) Any other information requested by the Board.
- 4. Each physician assistant who applies for a registration certificate pursuant to subsection 3 must:
- (a) Personally appear before the Board for determination and assignment of the specific authority to be granted to the physician assistant if the physician assistant:
- (1) Responded affirmatively to any of the questions on the application regarding his character or competency; or
 - (2) Is requested to do so by the Board; *and*
- (b) [Submit a statement, signed by the applicant and a pharmacist who is registered with the Board, indicating that the pharmacist is available to the applicant as a consultant concerning the dispensing of controlled substances, poisons, dangerous drugs and devices; and
- (c) Pass an examination administered by the Board on the law relating to pharmacy.

5.	Each physician assistant to whom a registration certificate is issued must be registered to	
a supervising physician.		

INFORMATIONAL STATEMENT

The informational statement required by NRS 233B.066 numerically conforms to the subsections of the statute as follows:

1. A DESCRIPTION OF HOW PUBLIC COMMENT WAS SOLICITED, A SUMMARY OF PUBLIC RESPONSE, AND AN EXPLANATION HOW OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS MAY OBTAIN A COPY OF THE SUMMARY.

Public comment was solicited through public notices posted in county courthouses and through mailings to interested parties.

There was no public response expressed relative to this proposed regulation.

2. THE NUMBER OF PERSONS WHO: (A) ATTENDED EACH HEARING; (B) TESTIFIED AT EACH HEARING; AND (C) SUBMITTED TO THE AGENCY WRITTEN STATEMENTS.

The number of persons who attended the hearing was $\underline{9}$.	
The number of persons who testified at the hearing was $\underline{0}$	_ •
The number of agency submitted statements was $\underline{0}$.	

There was no public response expressed relative to this proposed regulation.

3. A DESCRIPTION OF HOW COMMENT WAS SOLICITED FROM AFFECTED BUSINESSES, A SUMMARY OF THEIR RESPONSE, AND AN EXPLANATION HOW OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS MAY OBTAIN A COPY OF THE SUMMARY.

Comments were solicited from affected businesses through posting of public notices in the county courthouses, by direct mailings to all interested persons who have requested notices of board of pharmacy meeting agendas and by direct mailings to professional and trade associations.

There was no response from affected businesses relative to this proposed regulation.

4. IF THE REGULATION WAS ADOPTED WITHOUT CHANGING ANY PART OF THE PROPOSED REGULATION, A SUMMARY OF THE REASONS FOR ADOPTING THE REGULATION WITHOUT CHANGE.

The proposed regulation was adopted without change as no testimony was offered.

5. THE ESTIMATED ECONOMIC EFFECT OF THE REGULATION ON THE BUSINESS WHICH IT IS TO REGULATE AND ON THE PUBLIC. THESE MUST BE STATED SEPARATELY, AND IN EACH CASE MUST INCLUDE:

A) BOTH ADVERSE AND BENEFICIAL EFFECTS.

This regulation should have no adverse or beneficial economic impact on affected businesses or on the public.

B) BOTH IMMEDIATE AND LONG-TERM EFFECTS.

This regulation will have no immediate or long-term economic effects on business or the public.

6. THE ESTIMATED COST TO THE AGENCY FOR ENFORCEMENT OF THE PROPOSED REGULATION.

There will be no additional or special costs incurred by the board for enforcement of this regulation.

7. A DESCRIPTION OF ANY REGULATIONS OF OTHER STATE OR GOVERNMENT AGENCIES WHICH THE PROPOSED REGULATION OVERLAPS OR DUPLICATES AND A STATEMENT EXPLAINING WHY THE DUPLICATION OR OVERLAPPING IS NECESSARY. IF THE REGULATION OVERLAPS OR DUPLICATES A FEDERAL REGULATION, THE NAME OF THE REGULATING FEDERAL AGENCY.

The Board of Pharmacy is not aware of any similar regulations of other state or government agencies that the proposed regulation overlaps or duplicates.

8. IF THE REGULATION INCLUDES PROVISIONS WHICH ARE MORE STRINGENT THAN A FEDERAL REGULATION WHICH REGULATES THE SAME ACTIVITY, A SUMMARY OF SUCH PROVISIONS.

The Board of Pharmacy is not aware of any similar regulations of the same activity in which the federal regulation is more stringent.

9. IF THE REGULATION PROVIDES A NEW FEE OR INCREASES AN EXISTING FEE, THE TOTAL ANNUAL AMOUNT THE AGENCY EXPECTS TO COLLECT AND THE MANNER IN WHICH THE MONEY WILL BE USED.

This regulation does not provide a new or increase of fees.