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

IMMUNIZATIONS

NAC 639 is hereby amended as follows:

NAC 639.2179 Written protocol for immunization; deviation. (NRS 454.213, 639.070)

1. A pharmacist may administer immunizations by an *intranasal*, intramuscular or subcutaneous injection in compliance with a written protocol from a physician that authorizes a 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;

(b) The name of the pharmacist authorized to administer immunizations;

(c) The location or locations at which the pharmacist may administer immunizations;

(d) The immunizations that may be administered by the pharmacist;

(e) Detailed policies and procedures that the 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 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 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 and the physician at least once annually, and the making and keeping of a record of the review;

(h) A restriction that the pharmacist may not administer any immunization to a patient who is less than 14 years of age;

(i) A restriction that the pharmacist may not delegate his authority to administer an immunization;

(j) A restriction that the 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 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 and 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 for the benefit of a specific patient, the physician shall note the deviations from the written protocol in the record of the patient.