

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

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

AUTHORITY: §§1, 3 and 4, NRS 639.070; §§2 and 5, NRS 639.070, 639.071 and 639.072.

A REGULATION relating to pharmacy; eliminating certain exceptions to the requirement that pharmacies in certain hospitals or correctional institutions have one full-time managing pharmacist; requiring pharmacies in certain hospitals or correctional institutions to provide chart order processing services to the hospital or correctional institution; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Section 1. Chapter 639 of NAC is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

“Chart order processing services” means nondispensary pharmaceutical services that are provided by a pharmacy to a hospital or correctional institution, including, without limitation:

- 1. Receiving, interpreting and clarifying a chart order received from a hospital or correctional institution;*
- 2. Entering information regarding a chart order into the computerized data system of a hospital or correctional institution;*
- 3. Interpreting clinical data regarding a patient of a hospital or correctional institution;*
- 4. Performing therapeutic interventions regarding a patient of a hospital or correctional institution;*
- 5. Providing information to the appropriate staff of a hospital or correctional institution regarding a chart order submitted by the hospital or correctional institution; and*

6. Providing information regarding the treatment of a patient of a hospital or correctional institution.

Sec. 2. NAC 639.465 is hereby amended to read as follows:

639.465 1. ~~[Except as otherwise provided in NAC 639.4915, each]~~ A pharmacy located in a:

- (a) Hospital with 100 beds or more; or
- (b) Correctional institution housing 1,500 inmates or more,

↪ must have one full-time managing pharmacist. That pharmacist may be a managing pharmacist for only one such pharmacy.

2. Each pharmacy located in a:

- (a) Hospital with less than 100 beds; or
- (b) Correctional facility housing less than 1,500 inmates,

↪ must have one managing pharmacist who is retained as a consultant, or who is employed part-time or full-time.

Sec. 3. NAC 639.491 is hereby amended to read as follows:

639.491 As used in NAC 639.491 to 639.4917, inclusive, ***and section 1 of this regulation,*** unless the context otherwise requires, the words and terms defined in NAC 639.4911 to 639.4914, inclusive, ***and section 1 of this regulation*** have the meanings ascribed to them in those sections.

Sec. 4. NAC 639.4914 is hereby amended to read as follows:

639.4914 “Remote chart order processing services” means ~~[nondispensary pharmaceutical]~~ ***chart order processing*** services provided by an off-site pharmaceutical service provider ~~[in lieu~~

~~of those services being provided by a pharmacy located in]~~ *to* a hospital or correctional institution ~~[and includes,]~~ *including*, without limitation [:

- ~~—1. Receiving, interpreting and clarifying a chart order received from a hospital or correctional institution.~~
- ~~—2. Entering information regarding a chart order into the computerized data system of a hospital or correctional institution.~~
- ~~—3. Transferring]~~ *transferring* information regarding a chart order from the off-site pharmaceutical service provider to members of the staff of the hospital or correctional institution that submitted the chart order.
- ~~[4. Interpreting clinical data regarding a patient of a hospital or correctional institution.~~
- ~~—5. Performing therapeutic interventions regarding a patient of a hospital or correctional institution.~~
- ~~—6. Providing information to the appropriate staff of a hospital or correctional institution regarding a chart order submitted by the hospital or correctional institution.~~
- ~~—7. Providing information regarding the treatment of a patient of a hospital or correctional institution.]~~

Sec. 5. NAC 639.4915 is hereby amended to read as follows:

639.4915 A pharmacy located within a hospital or correctional institution that is required to have a full-time managing pharmacist pursuant to NAC 639.465 ~~[may satisfy that requirement]~~ *shall provide chart order processing services to the hospital or correctional institution. The pharmacy shall provide the chart order processing services* by:

1. Operating at all times; or

2. Employing a pharmacist who is on duty at all times that the pharmacy is operating and either:

(a) Employing a pharmacist who is available at all times that the pharmacy is not operating;

or

(b) Contracting with an off-site pharmaceutical service provider that is available at all times that the pharmacy is not operating.