

Digest for Adopted Regulation R_118-13

Existing law authorizes the State Board of Pharmacy to adopt regulations governing the sale and dispensing of poisons, drugs, chemicals and medicines. (NRS 639.070) Existing law also requires the Board to adopt regulations setting forth the maximum amounts of any controlled substance, poison, dangerous drug and devices which an advanced practice registered nurse who holds a certificate from the Board may dispense. (NRS 639.1375) Assembly Bill No. 170 of the 77th Legislative Session made changes to allow an advanced practice registered nurse with at least 2 years or 2,000 hours of clinical experience to prescribe a controlled substance listed in schedule II without a protocol approved by a collaborating physician. (NRS 632.237; chapter 383, Statutes of Nevada 2013, pp. 2072-74) **Sections 1-5** of this regulation make corresponding changes to existing regulations.

Existing law requires the State Board of Nursing to adopt regulations: (1) specifying any training, education and experience necessary for licensure as an advanced practice registered nurse; and (2) delineating the authorized scope of practice of an advanced practice registered nurse. (NRS 632.237) **Sections 2 and 4** provide that an advanced practice registered nurse may only prescribe and dispense a controlled substance, poison, dangerous drug or device for a legitimate medical purpose that is within the scope of practice in which the advanced practice registered nurse is trained, qualified and competent, subject to the scope of practice and any limitations thereto prescribed by the State Board of Nursing.