

## Chapter Ph-Int 1

## PHARMACY INTERN TRAINING PROGRAM

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Note: Chapter Ph-Int 1 as it existed on December 31, 1974 was repealed and a new chapter Ph-Int 1 was created effective January 1, 1975.

**Ph-Int 1.01 Introduction.** (1) Germane to the requirements for an internship program are the characteristics or attributes of the practitioner, in this case, the registered pharmacist. A registered pharmacist:

- (a) Contributes to the health and well being of the community;
- (b) Is the legal guardian for the procurement, storage and distribution of drugs;
- (c) Is the provider of drug information and other pharmaceutical services; and,
- (d) Is licensed by state government to practice in the manner defined by the pharmacy examining board.

(2) In his or her capacity as drug and drug-product expert in the health care community, the pharmacist must draw on the following backgrounds to fulfill adequately his or her responsibilities as enumerated in sub. (1):

- (a) Theoretical education;
- (b) Development of judgemental skills through practice experience;
- (c) Consultation with other health professionals;
- (d) Consultation with the public;
- (e) Continued education; and,
- (f) General awareness of patients' health status and overall drug utilization.

History: Cr. Register, December, 1974, No. 228, eff. 1-1-75.

**Ph-Int 1.02 Registration as intern.** (1) In this chapter, "pharmacy intern", shall apply to all persons included in the following categories:

- (a) A person engaged in internship-for-credit as defined in s. Ph-Int 1.03 (2);
- (b) A student engaged in internship practice activities on a part-time basis concurrent with academic registration as a student or as part of a professional experience program sponsored by a professional Bachelor of Science degree in pharmacy or Doctor of Pharmacy degree granting institution; and

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(c) A person who has successfully completed the internship requirement and is engaged in practice activities while preparing for the licensing examinations conducted by the pharmacy examining board.

(2) Registration as an intern is required of all individuals practicing as an intern regardless of credit or non-credit status except those students enrolled as part of a professional experience program sponsored by a professional Bachelor of Science degree or Doctor of Pharmacy degree granting institution;

(3) Internship registration may be granted to any person who has successfully completed the third year of an accredited school of pharmacy curriculum;

(4) Initial internship registration must be for a period of internship-for-credit of not less than 60 days, except at the discretion of the pharmacy internship board;

(5) An intern shall actively pursue licensure as a pharmacist as evidenced by participation when eligible in the licensing examination; or, by active pursuit of a Bachelor of Science degree in Pharmacy (B.S. Pharmacy) or a Doctor of Pharmacy degree (Pharm.D. degree), either entry-level or advanced degree;

(6) The internship application is to be accompanied by a registration fee of \$10.00;

(7) Registration as an intern expires on July 31 in the year succeeding the year in which the registration fee was recorded, unless revoked, suspended, or cancelled;

(8) Registration as an intern is valid for internship training only in the pharmacy listed on the internship application (except for a period of internship training not to exceed 30 days in a different pharmacy, which may be allowed at the discretion of the pharmacy internship board);

(9) The intern may not change place of internship without prior approval of the pharmacy internship board. The filing of a completed internship application with the pharmacy internship board shall be considered a binding agreement on both parties thereto for the normal period of internship for which it was intended. In the event of a breach of this agreement without the prior approval of the pharmacy internship board, no subsequent internship application signed by the party initiating the breach shall be accepted and approved within 180 days after the date that written information regarding such breach is received by the pharmacy internship board;

(10) In the event of a change of place of internship training, a new internship application must be completed and filed with the pharmacy internship board;

(11) Application for internship training should be received by the pharmacy internship board at least one week prior to the beginning of internship training;

(12) In the event of any interference with the relationship or internship agreement between a preceptor and intern by management, another preceptor or the management of any other pharmacy, a 12 to 24 month exclusion from the pharmacy internship program can be imposed

(4) **LIBRARY.** An adequate reference library must be available for use by the preceptor and intern (refer to the guidelines for suggested minimums).

(5) **LICENSURE PERIOD.** The pharmacy must have been licensed a minimum of 12 months.

(6) **ETHICS.** The policies and practices of pharmacists in the pharmacy should conform to the legal and ethical standards of professional practice.

(7) **PRACTICE ENVIRONMENT.** If a person in the practice environment acts in a manner which is hostile or intimidating to the intern or interferes with the performance of internship responsibilities and progress towards the objectives of the internship program, the director of pharmacy internship may reassign the intern to another pharmacy. The pharmacy may be excluded from the pharmacy internship program until adequate action is taken to correct the practice environment.

History: Cr. Register, December, 1974, No. 228, eff. 1-1-75; cr. (7), Register, December, 1986, No. 372, eff. 1-1-87.

**Ph-Int 1.08 Executive secretary.** It is the responsibility of the director of pharmacy internship of the pharmacy internship board to administer, direct and supervise the training of interns participating in the pharmacy internship program.

(1) The director of pharmacy internship shall have the authority to register interns, certify preceptors, and approve pharmacies under the rules and regulations of the Wisconsin pharmacy internship board.

(2) The director of pharmacy internship shall have the authority to arrange training conferences for preceptors, issue guides and such other explanatory and educational material to interns and preceptors necessary and desirable to the operation of this program and pass final judgment on satisfactory completion of internship training credit, all subject to approval by the pharmacy internship board.

(3) The director of pharmacy internship shall complete such other duties and bear such other responsibilities as may be designated by the pharmacy internship board. Such other authority essential for the execution of these additional assignments shall be delegated to the director of pharmacy internship by the pharmacy internship board as the pharmacy internship board deems necessary.

History: Cr. Register, December, 1974, No. 228, eff. 1-1-75; am. Register, January, 1983, No. 325, eff. 2-1-83.

**Ph-Int 1.09 Denial or suspension of certification of registration.** (1) Certification of a preceptor may be suspended or denied if the preceptor or a third party working in the practice environment under the supervision of the preceptor acts in a manner which is hostile or intimidating to the intern or interferes with the performance of internship responsibilities and progress toward achievement of the objectives of the internship program. Actions which may lead to suspension or denial of certification include but are not limited to:

(a) Sexual harassment.

(b) Abuse or misuse of alcohol or other mood-altering substances.

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(c) Failure to complete and submit required documentation to the pharmacy internship board office.

(d) Failure to comply with the policies and procedures of the pharmacy internship board in an acceptable manner.

(2) Registration of an intern may be suspended or denied if the intern acts in a manner which is hostile or intimidating to the preceptor or to a third party working in the practice environment or interferes with the performance of internship responsibilities and progress toward achievement of the objectives of the internship program. Actions which may lead to suspension or denial of registration include but are not limited to:

(a) Sexual harassment.

(b) Abuse or misuse of alcohol or other mood-altering substances.

(c) Failure to complete and submit required documentation to the pharmacy internship board office.

(d) Failure to comply with the policies and procedures of the pharmacy internship board in an acceptable manner.

History: Cr. Register, December, 1986, No. 372, eff. 1-1-87.

**Ph-Int 1.10 Appeal.** Any person who has been denied certification, registration or internship credit or been suspended by the pharmacy internship board may request a hearing in accord with ch. 227, Stats.

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