

103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2023 and 2024 SB0303

Introduced 2/2/2023, by Sen. Julie A. Morrison

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

225 ILCS 85/17.1

Amends the Pharmacy Practice Act. Includes programs recognized by the Pharmacy Technician Certification Board as a standard nationally accredited education and training program under which a new pharmacy technician may be educated and trained. Effective immediately.

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1 AN ACT concerning regulation.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- Section 5. The Pharmacy Practice Act is amended by changing Section 17.1 as follows:
- 6 (225 ILCS 85/17.1)
- 7 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2028)
- 8 Sec. 17.1. Registered pharmacy technician training.
- 9 (a) It shall be the joint responsibility of a pharmacy and its pharmacist in charge to have trained all of its registered 10 pharmacy technicians or obtain proof of prior training in all 11 of the following practice areas as they apply to Illinois law 12 13 and relate to the specific practice site and job
- 14 responsibilities:

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- 15 (1) The duties and responsibilities of the technicians 16 and pharmacists.
- 17 (2) Tasks and technical skills, policies, and 18 procedures.
 - (3) Compounding, packaging, labeling, and storage.
- 20 (4) Pharmaceutical and medical terminology.
- 21 (5) Record keeping requirements.
- 22 (6) The ability to perform and apply arithmetic calculations.

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Beginning January 1, 2024, it shall also be the joint responsibility of a pharmacy and its pharmacist in charge to ensure that all new pharmacy technicians are educated and trained using a standard nationally accredited education and program, such as those accredited by the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE)/the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists (ASHP), a program recognized by the Pharmacy Technician Certification Board, or other board approved education and training programs. The pharmacist in charge is not required to provide the required education to the pharmacy technician, but the pharmacist in charge must ensure that the pharmacy technician has presented proof that he or she completed a standard nationally accredited or board approved education and training program.

- (b) Within 2 years of initial licensure as a pharmacy technician and within 6 months before beginning any new duties and responsibilities of a registered pharmacy technician, it shall be the joint responsibility of the pharmacy and the pharmacist in charge to train the registered pharmacy technician or obtain proof of prior training in the areas listed in subsection (a) of this Section as they relate to the practice site or to document that the pharmacy technician is making appropriate progress.
- (c) All pharmacies shall maintain an up-to-date training program policies and procedures manual describing the duties

- and responsibilities of a registered pharmacy technician and
- 2 registered certified pharmacy technician.
- 3 (d) All pharmacies shall create and maintain retrievable
- 4 records of training or proof of training as required in this
- 5 Section.
- 6 (Source: P.A. 101-621, eff. 1-1-20; 102-643, eff. 8-27-21.)
- 7 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
- 8 becoming law.