Resolutions – July 2022

NOTE: All resolutions that are starred (*) were initially authorized by the Board President pursuant to resolution R-2022-0128.

1) Pharmacist Specialty Certifications

Pursuant to OAC 4729:1-5-02 (B)(1), the State of Ohio Board of Pharmacy hereby approves all current and future specialty certification programs from the following organizations for the purposes of pharmacist continuing education:

- The Board of Pharmacy Specialties (https://www.bpsweb.org/)
- The Specialty Pharmacy Certification Board (https://naspnet.org/)

2) OBOT Licensure Extension

The Board hereby suspends the licensure requirements pursuant to OAC 4729:5-18-01 (A)(1)(b) & (c) until December 31, 2022.

3) Positive Identification Extension Requests*

The Board hereby grants the following extensions to the requirements of OAC 4729:5-5-04 (A)(1) for the following companies holding a TDDD license:

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4) Naloxone Vending Machine – MetroHealth

See attached letter on next page.

5) Home Medical Equipment Change of Address Clarification

If an HME services provider is undergoing a change of address (location) and all business ownership and operations are remaining the same, an application and fee are not required. The licensed or registered HME services provider shall submit notification to the Board for the purposes of updating the license or registration as determined by the Board’s Executive Director or the Director’s designee.
Mr. Cameron J. McNamee  
Director of Policy and Communications  
State of Ohio Board of Pharmacy  
77 South High Street, 17th Floor, Columbus, Ohio 43215

RE: Outside storage of naloxone in automated dispensing mechanism

Dear Mr. McNamee:

Thank you again for providing technical assistance and consideration in our efforts to increase public access to naloxone, especially in high overdose locations.

The Cuyahoga County ADAMHS board is investigating insulated boxes to place outside in sheltered areas like the Metro park system and other outside venues. Unfortunately, true temperature-controlled boxes which are hard-wired to provide heat or cooling are cost-prohibitive.

The pharmacy board rule states that naloxone must be stored per the manufacturers and distributors recommendations. Obviously, the naloxone, even in an insulated box, may be exposed to temperatures outside of those parameters. There are studies that seem to indicate that naloxone appears to remain stable in extreme temperatures but freezing may be a possibility.

The medication likely would be fine most of the time, except in extreme conditions. Again, not having the medication at all in certain locations may be more of a risk. We certainly would be willing to replace any naloxone during extreme temperatures.

Thank you again for any further guidance on these issues.

Sincerely,

Rebecca Mason  
Manager, Community Programs  
MetroHealth Medical Center