Temporary Extension of Basic Life Support Requirements

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To address limited access to basic life-support training recertification and a significant increase in COVID-19 cases, the State of Ohio Board of Pharmacy has adopted the following resolution regarding certifications maintained by Ohio pharmacists and pharmacy interns.

Pharmacists and pharmacy interns whose basic life-support training certification is set to expire on or after March 1, 2020 will be permitted to continue to administer immunizations and dangerous drugs in accordance with section 4729.41 under the following conditions:

- The pharmacist or intern maintains documentation demonstrating their basic life-support training certification expired on or after March 1, 2020.
- The pharmacist or intern obtains recertification no later than May 1, 2021.

IMPORTANT: This provision does not apply to pharmacists, pharmacy interns, or technicians who provide immunizations under the amendments to the Federal PREP Act. For additional information on providing COVID-19 immunizations, visit: www.pharmacy.ohio.gov/COVIDvaccine.