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Addressing Shortages of Animal Euthanasia Solution

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To address shortages of animal euthanasia solution, the Ohio Board of Pharmacy does not intend to take enforcement action against any terminal distributor of dangerous drugs that utilizes pentobarbital and pentobarbital combination drugs for animal euthanasia that exceed the original stated expiration date by less than nine months (or 274 days).

Any pentobarbital and pentobarbital combination drugs used for animal euthanasia that exceed the original expiration date by nine months (or 274 days), must be segregated from active drug stock and disposed of in accordanceThis resolution is being issued in accordance with a Board resolution adopted on May 5, 2020 and with Board of Pharmacy rules. shall remain in effect until rescinded by the Board.