RESOLUTION: Licensure Requirements for Boards of Health During Emergency Preparedness Incidents or Public Health Emergencies

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Pursuant to section 4729.25 of the Revised Code, the Board finds it is in the public’s interest to waive the drug distributor licensure requirements pursuant to section 4729.52 of the Revised Code for a board of health, as defined in section 3701.048 of the Revised Code, that is licensed as a terminal distributor of dangerous drugs (TDDD) for the purpose of distributing dangerous drugs to another TDDD during a declared public health emergency or emergency preparedness incident.

The board of health may direct the shipment and allocation of the dangerous drugs removed from a location licensed as a terminal distributor or central location of the stockpile to point of dispensing locations.

An individual listed in division (B) of section 3701.048 of the Revised Code shall maintain personal supervision and control over the dangerous drugs and any hypodermics removed from the terminal distributor. If personal supervision is not provided, the dangerous drugs and any hypodermics shall be physically secured in a manner to prevent unauthorized access. The drugs shall be stored at temperatures which will ensure the integrity of the drugs prior to their use as stipulated by the USP/NF and/or the manufacturer's or distributor's labeling.

The responsible person on the terminal distributor of dangerous drugs license shall be responsible for compliance with the requirements of this resolution. This resolution shall serve as the notice required pursuant to section 4729.25 of the Revised Code.

This resolution shall remain in effect until the Board promulgates rules on the distribution of dangerous drugs during emergency preparedness incidents and public health emergencies.