



Ohio Administrative Code

Rule 4729:5-18-05 Personnel requirements.

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- (A) The supervising pharmacy is solely responsible for ensuring that the requirements of this rule are met.
- (B) Before a pharmacist may act as the supervising pharmacist for a remote dispensing pharmacy, a pharmacist shall:
 - (1) Be licensed as a pharmacist under Chapter 4729. of the Revised Code;
 - (2) Be physically located in this state when acting as the supervising pharmacist; and
 - (3) Be employed by or under contract with the supervising pharmacy.
- (C) The supervising pharmacist shall do all of the following:
 - (1) Supervise no more than three certified pharmacy technicians and/or pharmacy interns per remote dispensing pharmacy.
 - (2) Be in full and actual charge of the remote dispensing pharmacy by using the pharmacy's telepharmacy and surveillance system.
 - (3) Through the telepharmacy system and surveillance system, oversee the pharmacy interns and/or certified pharmacy technicians who are staffing the remote dispensing pharmacy.
 - (4) Verify each prescription and drug dispensed pursuant to the prescription and provide verification through visual review, barcoding, and any other technology as specified in rule 4729:5-18-06 of the Administrative Code.
 - (a) All barcodes used shall be scanned, and not manually typed, into the system.
 - (b) Documentation of verification shall capture the positive identification of the supervising pharmacist.
 - (5) Offer to provide the service of counseling for each drug dispensed pursuant to a new or refill prescription in accordance with rule 4729:5-5-09 of the Administrative Code.
 - (6) Have completed a training program on the proper use of the telepharmacy system used at the remote dispensing pharmacy.
 - (7) Have completed a training program on the proper use of the surveillance system used at the remote dispensing pharmacy.



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- (D) Before a certified pharmacy technician may work in a remote dispensing pharmacy, the certified pharmacy technician shall:
- (1) Hold an active registration as a certified pharmacy technician under Chapter 4729. of the Revised Code;
 - (2) Hold a national certification as a pharmacy technician from an organization recognized by the board as defined in rule 4729:3-1-01 of the Administrative Code.
 - (3) Have completed a training program on the proper use of the telepharmacy system used at the remote dispensing pharmacy.
 - (4) Have at least one thousand hours of practical experience working as a certified pharmacy technician in a pharmacy setting under the direct supervision of a pharmacist.
 - (5) Have worked at least one year in a pharmacy setting during the three years preceding the date the certified pharmacy technician begins working at the remote dispensing pharmacy.
- (E) The supervising pharmacy shall attest that all certified pharmacy technicians meet the requirements of paragraph (D) of this rule. A record of such attestation shall be maintained at, or accessible by, the remote dispensing pharmacy and be produced for review immediately upon request of agent, officer, or inspector of the board.
- (F) Before a pharmacy intern may work in a remote dispensing pharmacy, the pharmacy intern shall:
- (1) Hold an active license as a pharmacy intern under Chapter 4729. of the Revised Code;
 - (2) Have at least one thousand hours of experience working as a certified pharmacy technician or pharmacy intern under the direct supervision of a pharmacist;
 - (3) Only five hundred hours of experience earned as part of the intern's introductory pharmacy practice experience or advanced pharmacy practice experience may count towards the hourly requirements described in paragraph (F)(2) of this rule.
 - (4) Have worked at least one thousand hours in a pharmacy setting during the three years preceding the date the pharmacy intern begins working at the remote dispensing pharmacy;



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- (5) Have completed a training program on the proper use of the telepharmacy system used at the remote dispensing pharmacy.
- (G) The supervising pharmacy shall attest that all working pharmacy interns meet the requirements of paragraph (F) of this rule. A record of such attestation shall be maintained at, or accessible by, the remote dispensing pharmacy and be produced for review immediately upon request of agent, officer, or inspector of the board.
- (H) Certified pharmacy technicians or pharmacy interns are not permitted to do any of the following while working at a remote dispensing pharmacy:
 - (1) Counsel an individual regarding drugs that are dispensed, recommend drugs and drug therapy-related devices or otherwise provide advice regarding drug therapy, or assist with selecting drugs and drug therapy related devices for treatment of common diseases and injuries or assist with providing instruction on their use;
 - (2) Perform compounding of sterile or nonsterile drugs, except for the reconstitution of prepackaged dangerous drugs;
 - (3) Engage in the repackaging of dangerous drugs;
 - (4) Administer immunizations or perform diagnostic testing, unless a pharmacist is physically onsite to provide direct supervision.
- (I) Technicians-in-training, registered pharmacy technicians, or any other pharmacy personnel who do not meet the requirements of this chapter shall not engage in the practice of pharmacy or work at a remote dispensing pharmacy.