

Louisiana Administrative Code

Title 46 – Professional and Occupational Standards

Part LIII: Pharmacists

Chapter 9. Pharmacy Technicians

§907. Scope of Practice

- A. Pharmacy technician candidates and pharmacy technicians may assist the pharmacist by performing those duties and functions assigned by the pharmacist while under his direct and immediate supervision.
 - 1. The ratio of candidates to pharmacists on duty shall not exceed one to one at any given time.
 - 2. The ratio of technicians to pharmacists on duty shall not exceed two to one at any given time. However, the ratio of technicians to pharmacists on duty may be increased to three to one if no technician candidates are on duty at the same time.
- B. Pharmacy technician candidates shall not:
 - 1. receive verbal initial prescription orders;
 - 2. give or receive verbal transfers of prescription orders;
 - 3. interpret prescription orders (however, a technician candidate may translate prescription orders);
 - 4. compound high-risk sterile preparations, as defined by the United States Pharmacopeia (USP), or its successor.
 - 5. counsel patients.
- C. Pharmacy technicians shall not:
 - 1. release a verbal prescription order for processing until it is reduced to written form and initialed by the receiving technician and supervising pharmacist;
 - 2. interpret prescription orders (however, a technician may translate prescription orders);
 - 3. counsel patients.

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