

Title: Moderately Complex Laboratory Tests

Policy No. I.A.9

Approved: 11-18-2009

Revised:

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1. The Board entertained a request from a hospital for an opinion as to whether or not it was within the scope of practice for a pharmacist to perform moderately complex laboratory testing procedures, as defined by the Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments of 1988 (CLIA).

2. The Board, by unanimous vote, adopted the following motion:

Resolved, that following the Board's review of the Louisiana Pharmacy Practice Act and its associated education and licensure requirements, as well as relevant portions of the Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments of 1988 and its associated regulations, we find the performance of moderately complex laboratory testing procedures to be properly within the scope of practice for Louisiana-licensed pharmacists, provided however, that the pharmacist shall maintain evidence of all education and training relevant to that practice activity.