

NOTICE OF INTENT

Department of Health and Hospitals Board of Pharmacy

LAC 46:LIII.709

In accordance with the provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act (La. R.S. 49:950 *et seq.*) and the Louisiana Pharmacy Practice Act (La. R.S. 37:1161 *et seq.*), the Louisiana Board of Pharmacy hereby gives notice of its intent to add a new §709 – *Scope of Practice* to Chapter 7 – Pharmacy Interns of its rules. In particular, the proposed rule will identify the scope of practice for pharmacy interns as well as establish a maximum supervisory ratio of pharmacists to pharmacy interns.

Interested persons may submit written comments to Malcolm J Broussard, Executive Director, Louisiana Board of Pharmacy, 5615 Corporate Blvd., 8th Floor, Baton Rouge, LA 70808-2537. He is responsible for responding to inquiries regarding this proposed rule. A public hearing on these proposed rules is scheduled for Wednesday, January 27, 2010 at 9:00 a.m. in the Board office. At that time, all interested persons will be afforded an opportunity to submit data, views, or arguments, either orally or in writing. The deadline for the receipt of all comments is 12:00 noon that same day.

Malcolm J Broussard
Executive Director
Louisiana Board of Pharmacy

Louisiana Administrative Code

Title 46 – Professional and Occupational Standards

Part LIII: Pharmacists

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Chapter 7. Pharmacy Interns

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§709. Scope of Practice

- A. Pharmacy interns may perform any duty of a pharmacist provided he is under the supervision of a pharmacist.
- B. The ratio of pharmacy interns to pharmacists shall be 1:1. However, the ratio of pharmacy interns on rotation with a board-approved college of pharmacy to pharmacists shall be no more than 3:1.
- C. A pharmacy intern may not:
 - a. present or identify himself as a pharmacist;
 - b. sign or initial any document which is required to be signed or initialed by a pharmacist unless a preceptor cosigns the document;
 - c. independently supervise pharmacy technicians; or
 - d. administer immunizations unless properly credentialed as required by the board.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 37:1182.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Health and Hospitals, Board of Pharmacy, LR