

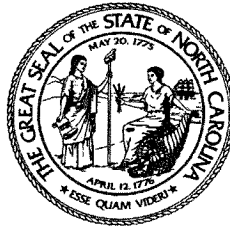
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Dear All:

The North Carolina Board of Pharmacy submits this report on its exercise of regulatory flexibility during the COVID-19 public health emergency, as required by Session Law 2020-3, Section 4.38.

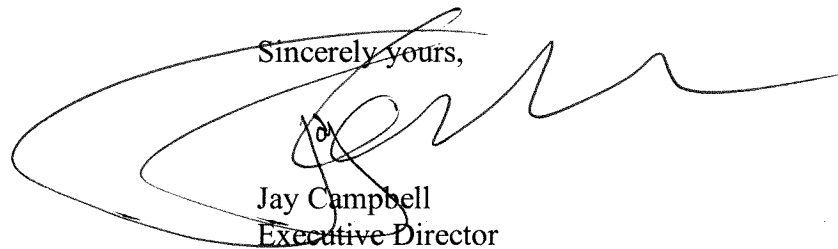
The Board of Pharmacy:

- Issued an emergency services waiver authorizing a pharmacist or nationally-certified pharmacy technician holding a license or registration in good standing in another state to practice in North Carolina during the declared emergency without being licensed or registered with the North Carolina Board of Pharmacy as long as that pharmacist or

nationally-certified technician held a National Association of Boards of Pharmacy Passport (available without cost during the pandemic emergency).

- Issued an emergency services waiver authorizing the use of remote work technology for tasks such as prescription order entry and prescription data verification notwithstanding any provision of the Pharmacy Practice Act to the contrary. This waiver allowed pharmacies additional flexibility to maintain patient services while reducing risks of person-to-person coronavirus transmission.
- Waived enforcement of the requirement that an immunizing pharmacist hold a current provider level cardiopulmonary resuscitation certificate if the certification expires during the state of emergency. CPR courses have been, for obvious reasons, sparse during the pandemic. This waiver ensured that previously-certified immunizing pharmacists could continue to provide immunizations during the pandemic.
- Waived – for 2020 graduates of an ACPE-approved school of pharmacy who have applied for licensure in North Carolina – rule language limiting status as a "pharmacy intern" to students "enrolled in approved academic internship programs." The waiver ensures that 2020 pharmacy school graduates retain intern status – and therefore the ability to perform all acts constituting the practice pharmacy while under supervision by a North Carolina licensed pharmacist – through the end of the year while completing the licensure process.

Sincerely yours,

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to be "Jay Campbell". The signature is written over the typed name and title.

Jay Campbell
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cc: Ashley Duggins, Pharm.D., President, Board of Pharmacy