

State Specific Information Available through Bula Law

Module: Pharmacist Administered Immunization

- **Administration**
 - Does the pharmacist need to register with the Board before administering vaccines?
 - What type of course, including CPR and ongoing CE, is required?
 - May a licensed intern/ graduate extern administer vaccines?
 - What vaccines can a pharmacist administer?
- **Location**
 - Are there restrictions on location within the building on where vaccines may be administered? Is off-site administration by pharmacists allowed and if so, what regulations apply?
- **Procedure**
 1. If "protocol" is required (e.g., a protocol, standing order or other non-patient specific document)
 - What vaccines can be administered pursuant to a "protocol" ?
 - What clauses are required in an immunization protocol?
 - What licensure, residency, active practice, and/or location requirements exist for the protocol physician?
 - Is board notice or approval of the protocol required?
 2. Documentation
 - Pharmacy recordkeeping for vaccine administration
 - Patient documentation: what documents must be provided to the patient?
 - Patient Screening: Does the state require use of specific patient screening questions?
 3. Reporting:
 - Reporting requirements to the protocol/ authorizing physician and PCP.
 - Is the pharmacy required to report immunizations to the state?
 - Patient Opt-In/ Opt-Out reporting requirements to state, if applicable.
 4. Emergency Medications
 - Is a standing order adequate authority for the pharmacist to prescribe, dispense, and administer emergency medications?
 5. Preservative-free requirements
 - Are preservative free vaccines required in any circumstances (e.g., pregnant women or children)?
 6. Facility
 - What additional requirements relating to facility and equipment exist when vaccinations are administered in the pharmacy setting?
 - Are privacy restrictions that apply when a pharmacist is vaccinating a patient?
 7. Waste:
 - Does the state require the pharmacy to obtain a biomedical waste permit?

- What requirements exist for the disposal of sharps or vaccine vials?

8. VFC Program:

- If the state has a Vaccine for Children program, is the pharmacy required to participate in VFC in order to provide vaccinations to children?
- What are the steps for enrolling in VFC?
- What are the ongoing compliance and operational requirements for pharmacies participating in the VFC program?

9. Billing for Services

- What does the state board require for a vaccine claim to be processed?
- Medicaid Requirements
- ON the CMS Form 1500, do vaccines need be billed using the protocol practitioner's ID number or the pharmacist's ID number

Module: State Immunization Schedules for Children and Health Care Workers

- State's school and childcare vaccination requirements
- Requirements or restrictions around the type of practitioner authorized to sign off on such a certification
- Is the vaccination provider required to provide the child (or parent) with documentation or certification as proof of the vaccination? Is there a specific form that must be used?
- What are the State's immunization requirements for healthcare workers?
- Are there any mandatory reporting obligations that would attach if a practitioner is providing services to patients and is found to not appropriately vaccinated?
- What are the State's school and childcare vaccination requirements?
- Requirements or restrictions around the type of practitioner authorized to sign off on such a certification?
- Is the vaccination provider required to provide the child (or parent) with documentation or certification as proof of the vaccination? Is there a specific form that must be used?

Module: Travel Vaccines Module Content

- What type of company-wide protocol is allowed?
- How may a licensed pharmacist administer vaccines in this state?
- How may pharmacists administer various vaccines?
- What are the minimum requirements for a pharmacist to dispense Rx-Only oral travel medications?
- What restrictions exist for a physician who will prescribe for a remote patient?
- May a licensed intern/ graduate extern administer vaccines?
- What registration/ additional licensing requirements exist to authorize a pharmacist to administer vaccines?
- Education Requirements
- Minimum age:
 - What is the minimum patient age limit for a pharmacist to administer a vaccine pursuant to a protocol and prescription?
- Rx required: What vaccines require a patient-specific prescription/ order?

- Protocol:
 - What vaccines can be administered pursuant to a "protocol" (e.g., a protocol, standing order or other non-patient specific document)? What clauses are required in an immunization protocol? What licensure, residency, active practice, and/or location requirements exist for the protocol physician?
- Is a standing order/ protocol/ etc. adequate authority for the pharmacist to prescribe, dispense, and administer emergency medications?
- Reporting:
 - How is a pharmacy required to report administration to the protocol/ authorizing physician?
 - How is a pharmacy required to report administration to the patient's primary care physician?
 - Is the pharmacy required to report immunizations to the state?
- Is off-site administration by pharmacists allowed?
- Yellow Fever Stamp: Can the pharmacy "own" the Yellow Fever stamp?
- Preservative-free requirements: Are preservative free vaccines required in any circumstances?