

Administration of Vaccines By Pharmacists

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Qualifications

- (1) A pharmacist may administer vaccines to persons who are over the age of eighteen as provided by these rules. For the purposes of this rule, a person is over the age of eighteen the day following their eighteenth birthday.
- (2) A pharmacist may administer vaccines to a person who is over the age of eighteen only if:
 - (a) the pharmacist has completed a course of training accredited by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the American Council on Pharmaceutical Education or a similar health authority or professional body approved by the Board and the Oregon Health Division;
 - (b) the pharmacist holds a current Basic Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) certification issued by the American Heart Association or the American Red Cross;
 - (c) the vaccines are administered in accordance with an administration protocol approved by the Oregon Health Division;
 - (d) the pharmacist has a current copy of the CDC reference, Epidemiology and Prevention of Vaccine-Preventable Diseases.
- (3) No pharmacist may delegate the administration of vaccines to another person.

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Protocols, Policies and Procedures

- (1) Prior to administering vaccines or immunizations to persons over eighteen years of age pharmacists must follow written protocols approved by the Oregon Health Division for administration of vaccines and the treatment of severe adverse events following administration of a vaccine(s).
- (2) The pharmacy must maintain written policies and procedures for handling and disposal of used or contaminated equipment and supplies.
- (3) The pharmacy must give the appropriate Vaccine Information Statement (VIS) to the patient or legal representative with each dose of vaccine covered by these forms. The pharmacist must ensure that the patient or legal representative is available and has read, or has had read to them, the information provided and has had their questions answered prior to administering the vaccine.

- (4) The pharmacy must report adverse events as required by the Vaccine Adverse Events Reporting System (VAERS) and to the primary care provider as identified by the patient.

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Record Keeping and Reporting

- (1) A pharmacist who administers any vaccine shall maintain the following information in the pharmacy records regarding each administration for a minimum of three years;
- (a) the name, address and date of birth of the patient;
 - (b) the date of the administration and site of injection of the vaccine;
 - (c) the name, dose, manufacturer, lot number and expiration date of the vaccine or immunization;
 - (d) the name and address of the patient's primary health care provider, as identified by the patient;
 - (e) the name or identifiable initials of the administering pharmacist;
 - (f) the date the pharmacist reported the vaccination information to the recipient's primary health care provider, as identified by the patient and, when required, to the Health Division if different from the date of administration;
 - (g) documentation of provision of informed consent for administration of vaccines and for transmission of records to a primary care provider, the Oregon Health Division, and the Board of Pharmacy;
 - (h) which Vaccine Information Statement (VIS) was provided;
 - (i) the date of publication of the VIS; and
 - (j) the date the VIS was provided.
- (2) A pharmacist who administers any vaccine must report in writing to the recipient's primary health care provider, as identified by the patient, the information required to be maintained by section (1) above. The report shall be made within (fourteen) days of the date of administration. The pharmacist must also report to the Oregon Health Division as required for vaccines specifically identified by the Division.
- (3) A pharmacist who administers vaccines must report to the Board of Pharmacy, on a form provided by the Board, the vaccine administered, the age of the patient, and the zip code of residence of the patient.

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