12 AAC 52.240. PHARMACIST COLLABORATIVE PRACTICE AUTHORITY. (a) A pharmacist planning to exercise collaborative practice authority in the pharmacist's practice by initiating or modifying drug therapy in accordance with a written protocol established and approved for the pharmacist's practice by a practitioner authorized to prescribe drugs under AS 08 must submit the completed written protocol to the board and be approved by the board before implementation.

(b) A written protocol must include

(1) an agreement in which practitioners authorized to prescribe legend drugs in this state authorize pharmacists licensed in this state to administer or dispense in accordance with that written protocol;

(2) a statement identifying the practitioners authorized to prescribe and the pharmacists who are party to the

(3) the time period during which the written protocol will be in effect, not to exceed two years;

(4) the types of collaborative authority decisions that the pharmacists are authorized to make, including (A) types of diseases, drugs, or drug categories involved and the type of collaborative authority authorized

in each case; and

(B) procedures, decision criteria, or plans the pharmacists are to follow when making therapeutic decisions, particularly when modification or initiation of drug therapy is involved;

(5) activities the pharmacists are to follow in the course of exercising collaborative authority, including documentation of decisions made, and a plan for communication and feedback to the authorizing practitioners concerning specific decisions made;

(6) a list of the specific types of patients eligible to receive services under the written protocol;

- (7) a plan for the authorizing practitioners to review the decisions made by the pharmacists at least once every three months; and
- (8) a plan for providing the authorizing practitioners with each patient record created under the written protocol.

(c) To enter into a written protocol under this section, practitioners authorized to prescribe must be in active practice, and the authority granted must be within the scope of the practitioners' practice.

(d) Unless the board is satisfied that the pharmacist has been adequately trained in the procedures outlined in the written protocol, the board will specify and require completion of additional training that covers those procedures before issuing approval of the protocol.

(e) Documentation related to the written protocol must be maintained for at least two years

The written protocol may be terminated upon written notice by the authorizing practitioners or pharmacists. The pharmacists shall notify the board in writing within 30 days after a written protocol is terminated.

(g) Any modification to the written protocol must be approved by the board as required by this section for a new

(h) This section does not apply to participation, by a pharmacist practicing in an institutional facility, in drug therapy protocols and guidelines approved by the institutional facility's pharmacy and therapeutics committee or by another medical staff governing body of that institutional facility, if records related to the drug therapy protocols and guidelines are maintained and made available to the board upon request.

(i) A signed copy of the approved collaborative practice application and protocols must remain at the pharmacy location at all times.

Authority:

AS 08.80.030

AS 08.80.480

12 AAC 52.250. JOB SHADOWING IN PHARMACY. (a) A pharmacist-in-charge or job shadowing

preceptor of a pharmacy may allow job shadowing by a student in the pharmacy only as specified in this section.

(b) Before a student begins a job shadowing program under this section, the pharmacist-in-charge or job shadowing preceptor shall complete that portion of the job shadowing documentation form prescribed by the board, which includes the names of the pharmacy, the participating student, and the pharmacist-in-charge or job shadowing preceptor. The student and the pharmacist-in-charge or preceptor shall sign the form. The parent or guardian of the student shall also sign the form if the student is less than 18 years of age.

(c) The pharmacist-in-charge or, if applicable, the job shadowing preceptor shall familiarize the student with the confidentiality requirements of 45 C.F.R., Parts 160 and 164 (HIPAA) and ensure compliance with this section and the relevant sections of AS 08.80 and this chapter.

(d) A pharmacist-in-charge or job shadowing preceptor may not allow

(1) a student in a job shadowing program to

(A) receive any remuneration or other compensation; (B) perform job shadowing for more than 50 hours;

(C) perform any functions reserved for licensed, certified, or registered pharmacy personnel;

(2) a ratio of job shadowing student to pharmacist-in-charge or job shadowing preceptor other than one to

(e) After completion of the job shadowing program by a student, the pharmacist-in-charge or job shadowing preceptor shall complete that portion of the job shadowing documentation form prescribed by the board where the pharmacist-in-charge or job shadowing preceptor provides the date and time in hours student was present and job