



**TO:** Professional Practice Committee  
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**SUBJECT:** Update on and Overview of the Registration, Operation and Oversight of the Various Types of Pharmacy Establishments  
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**AUTHORIZATION(S):**

**SUMMARY**

### **Issue for Discussion**

Department staff will provide an update on and overview of the registration and operation requirements and oversight of the various types of pharmacy establishments.

### **Reason for Consideration**

For informational purposes.

### **Proposed Handling**

This will be presented to the Professional Practice Committee for discussion at the December 2020 meeting of the Board of Regents.

### **Background Information**

In addition to licensing, registering and regulating pharmacists, issuing limited permits to pharmacy interns, administering and issuing immunization privileges and documenting changes in pharmacy supervisors, the New York State Board of Pharmacy Office (Pharmacy Office) registers and regulates both in and out of state pharmacy establishments.

Pursuant to Education Law §6808, the registration of pharmacy establishments is overseen and regulated by the State Education Department (Department). Such oversight helps to ensure compliance with both New York State and Federal laws and regulations relating to the profession of pharmacy. The registration of pharmacy establishments also

permits the Department's Office of Professional Discipline to take action in the event that such standards are not met.

Pharmacy establishments are not limited to community pharmacies, but rather extend to include hospital pharmacies, sterile compounding facilities, manufacturers, wholesalers, wholesaler-repackers and outsourcing facilities; both in and outside of New York State.

Currently, New York State has over 6,500 registered community pharmacies, 543 manufacturers, 25 outsourcing facilities and 1,389 wholesalers, all of which are overseen by the Pharmacy Board Office.

Staff will provide a general update on and overview of the various pharmacy establishments and discuss their respective registration requirements and processes.

**Related Regents Items**

Not applicable.

**Recommendation**

Not applicable.

**Timetable for Implementation**

Not applicable.