

## Board of Pharmacy Update – October 2021

Welcome to a monthly news roundup from the California State Board of Pharmacy. More information about news reported here is on the Board's website, [www.pharmacy.ca.gov](http://www.pharmacy.ca.gov).

### Recent news:

- The Board met in emergency session September 3 to consider pharmacy law waivers related to the COVID-19 pandemic. Links to the agenda, meeting materials, action items, and a recorded webcast are posted under [Emergency Board Meetings](#).
- The Board met in regular session September 23. Links to the meeting agenda, materials, action items, and a recorded webcast are posted under [Board Meetings](#).
- Gov. Gavin Newsom declared a state of emergency September 27 in Shasta County due to the Fawn Fire. The Board issued alerts reminding licensees of state laws and other resources to help pharmacists provide prescription drugs for residents displaced because of emergency evacuation. A link to information about [declared states of emergency](#) is also posted on the homepage under "Important Information for Licensees."
- The [September 2021 issue](#) of The Script is available online. [Past issues and an index](#) also are online.
- The Board released Notices of Proposed Action to amend Title 16, California Code of Regulations, section 1704, related to Address Change Notification; and section 1784, related to Wholesaler/3PL Self-assessment Form. Documents associated with these proposed regulations can be found under [Pending Regulations](#).
- The Food and Drug Administration [announced it has extended the time period](#) for states to decide whether to sign the "Memorandum of Understanding Addressing Certain Distributions of Compounded Human Drug Products Between the California State Board of Pharmacy and the U.S. Food and Drug Administration" from October 27, 2021, to October 27, 2022.
- The California Department of Public Health (CDPH) has posted online guidance and resources for health care providers and facilities regarding [monoclonal antibody treatment](#) and [ordering monoclonal antibodies](#). Information is available under "COVID-19 Information" on the homepage; click the link [Monoclonal Antibody Treatment](#).
- The CDPH also has issued [guidance on coadministration of COVID-19 vaccines with other vaccines](#). The guidance states: **COVID-19 vaccines and other vaccines may be administered without regard to timing**. The guidance is available for reading online at <https://eziz.org/assets/docs/COVID19/IMM-1385.pdf>.

**Coming up:**

- The [Enforcement and Compounding Committee](#) and the [Licensing Committee](#) are scheduled to meet October 20, followed by the [Communication and Public Education Committee](#) on October 27. Agendas and meeting materials will be posted online.
- The [Board](#) is scheduled to meet October 27-28. The agenda and meeting materials will be posted online.
- The CPJE will be administered October 8 and October 16. Exam information is posted under [Pharmacist Examination and Licensure Information](#). Participants must present [two forms of proper ID](#) and must complete an exit form during the checkout process.

**A final word:**

- FRAUD ALERT! The Board continues to receive reports of licensees victimized by scam callers claiming to represent the Board or another government agency. Learn [how scam calls work and what to do](#) if you receive a call.
- Fires in declared disasters often damage or destroy properties in communities, including pharmacies. For information on what to do when fire or other disaster strikes, read “Damaged pharmacy sites: What to do” on page 12 in the [September 2021 issue](#) of The Script.

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