

SPECIAL NOTICE – ACT 8 OF 2015

Due to recent changes in the Pharmacy Law enacted by the signing of Act 8 on June 26, 2015 by Governor Wolf, pharmacists who already have the authority to administer immunizations, injectable medications and biologics will have the ability to administer influenza immunizations by injectable or needle-free delivery methods to persons nine years of age and older beginning on August 25, 2015 (the effective date of Act 8) provided they comply with the new insurance requirements set forth in Act 8. Pharmacists who currently possess the authority from the Board to administer immunizations, injectable medications and biologics are required to submit a certification of insurance form to the Board to be compliant with the new law. That form can be found on the Board's website. A pharmacist that does not currently possess the authorization to administer immunizations, injectable medications and biologics must complete the required application located on the Board's website, pay the corresponding fee, and be issued the Board authorization prior to providing any immunizations or injections.

Please note that the change in the law regarding the ability to delegate the authorization to administer immunizations, injectable medications and biologics to pharmacy interns will not be implemented until the Board promulgates the required regulations and/or until a system has been developed by the Board that will ensure that the pharmacy intern has acquired the proper training.

Act 8 can be viewed at the following link:

<http://www.legis.state.pa.us/cfdocs/Legis/LI/uconsCheck.cfm?txtType=HTM&yr=2015&sessInd=0&smthLwInd=0&act=8>.