

storage of drugs and devices is not a function reserved to practicing pharmacy, the storage provision is not retained as an element of the definition of "practice pharmacy" in § 12-101 of this title. Instead, it is revised in this section, in accordance with the apparent legislative intent, as an affirmative requirement that all drugs, medicines, and devices held by a pharmacy be stored in a proper and safe manner. A qualification that proper and safe storage may be subject to the rules and regulations of the Board also is added to coordinate with the Board's rulemaking power under § 12-205 of this title.

The reference to "medicines" is added in conformity with the usual trilogy of "drugs, medicines, and devices" used throughout this title. See the General Revisor's Note to this title.

12-507. DATING OF PRESCRIPTION BY AUTHORIZED PRESCRIBER;
TIME LIMIT FOR FILLING PRESCRIPTION.

(A) AUTHORIZED PRESCRIBER REQUIRED TO SPECIFY DATE OF PRESCRIPTION.

AN AUTHORIZED PRESCRIBER WHO ISSUES A PRESCRIPTION SHALL INDICATE ON THE PRESCRIPTION THE DATE OF ITS ISSUANCE.

(B) TIME LIMIT FOR FILLING PRESCRIPTION.

UNLESS OTHERWISE INSTRUCTED BY THE AUTHORIZED PRESCRIBER WHO ISSUES THE PRESCRIPTION, A PHARMACIST MAY NOT DISPENSE ANY DRUG, MEDICINE, OR DEVICE ON A PRESCRIPTION PRESENTED MORE THAN 120 DAYS AFTER THE DATE THE PRESCRIPTION WAS ISSUED.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from the first two sentences of Art. 43, § 254B.

In this section and throughout this title, the term "authorized prescriber" -- which is defined in § 12-101 of the title -- is substituted for the present, unnecessarily diverse references to those who may issue a prescription. While the substituted term is broader than the present reference, it is consistent with the apparent intent behind the present provision. See also the General Revisor's Note to this title.

In subsection (b) of this section, the words "drug" and "device" are added in conformity with the usual trilogy of "drugs, medicines, and devices" used throughout this title. See the General Revisor's Note to this title.