

~~PHARMACIST HAS A DUTY TO EXERCISE INDEPENDENT PROFESSIONAL JUDGMENT IN DECIDING WHETHER OR NOT TO DISPENSE OR REFILL A PRESCRIPTION.~~

~~(B) IN REFUSING TO DISPENSE OR REFILL A PRESCRIPTION, THE DECISION OF THE PHARMACIST SHALL NOT BE ARBITRARY BUT SHALL BE BASED ON PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE, KNOWLEDGE, OR AVAILABLE REFERENCE MATERIALS.~~

12-501.

(A) A PHARMACIST MAY REFUSE TO DISPENSE OR REFILL A PRESCRIPTION IF THE DECISION IS BASED ON PROFESSIONAL JUDGEMENT, EXPERIENCE, KNOWLEDGE, OR AVAILABLE REFERENCE MATERIALS.

(B) (1) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, IF A PHARMACIST REFUSES TO DISPENSE OR REFILL A PRESCRIPTION, THE PHARMACIST SHALL, TO THE EXTENT PRACTICABLE, NOTIFY THE AUTHORIZED PRESCRIBER THAT THE PRESCRIPTION OR REFILL WAS REFUSED WITHIN 72 HOURS AFTER THE REFUSAL.

(2) PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION DOES NOT APPLY IF A PHARMACIST IS UNABLE TO DETERMINE THE NAME OF THE AUTHORIZED PRESCRIBER.

12-502.

(a) ~~¶~~In the operation of a pharmacy, only ~~ONLY~~ a licensed pharmacist or an individual engaging in a [clinical pharmacy training] PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE program and acting under the direct supervision of a licensed pharmacist may provide information to the public OR A HEALTH CARE PRACTITIONER concerning PRESCRIPTION OR NONPRESCRIPTION drugs; OR [medicines, and] devices; ~~OR~~ ~~DIAGNOSTICS~~ including information as to their therapeutic values, potential side effects, and use in the treatment and prevention of diseases.

(b) [While on the premises of a pharmacy, a] A licensed pharmacist shall give [an individual] A PATIENT who requests, in person or by telephone, the current price of a prescription drug; OR DEVICE; ~~OR DIAGNOSTIC~~ that the pharmacy offers for sale to the public.

[12-503.

(a) The Board shall specify the minimum professional and technical equipment and sanitary appliances that are necessary in a pharmacy:

- (1) To prepare and dispense prescriptions properly; and
- (2) Otherwise to operate a pharmacy.

(b) Each pharmacy shall be:

- (1) Equipped with the minimum equipment and appliances specified by the Board under this section; and
- (2) Kept in a clean and orderly manner.