

# E-NEWS UPDATE APRIL 2016 EDITION

#### **Pharmacist Consult Agreements with Physicians**

Recent changes to Ohio law regarding pharmacist consult agreements are now in effect (ORC 4729.39). The Board is in the process of adopting new rules regarding consult agreements. In the interim, it has adopted a resolution to provide licensees with guidance on implementing recent changes.

The resolution can be found by visiting: www.pharmacy.ohio.gov/consult.

#### 2016 Roundtables

Come join the State of Ohio Board of Pharmacy in a roundtable presentation to learn the duties of a pharmacist and the importance of this role in ensuring compliance with Ohio's laws and regulations. Loss prevention managers, retail managers and pharmacists are encouraged to attend. Registration information and a full list of presentation dates, times and locations can be found by visiting <a href="https://www.pharmacy.ohio.gov/roundtables">www.pharmacy.ohio.gov/roundtables</a>.

A roundtable presentation qualifies for 2 hours (0.2 CEU) of State of Ohio Board of Pharmacy approved jurisprudence continuing education.

## 2016 Continuing Education Law Presentations

The State of Ohio Board of Pharmacy will be holding a series of law presentations throughout the state. The presentations, approved for 2 hours (0.2 CEU) of Board of Pharmacy approved jurisprudence continuing education, will provide an overview of existing laws impacting pharmacists with an emphasis on recent updates to the Ohio Revised Code and Ohio Administrative Code. Registration info and a full list of presentation dates, times and locations can be found by visiting <a href="https://www.pharmacy.ohio.gov/2016Law">www.pharmacy.ohio.gov/2016Law</a>.

### Opiate Mid-Biennium Review Announced

On April 12, 2016, the Board of Pharmacy and Governor Kasich's Cabinet Opiate Action Team announced new legislation aimed at addressing Ohio's opiate addiction crisis. This legislation includes new reforms to strengthen prescription drug oversight, encourage responsible treatment and prevent drug overdoses. For more information, visit: <a href="https://www.pharmacv.ohio.gov/MBR2016">www.pharmacv.ohio.gov/MBR2016</a>

#### **Compliance Frequently Asked Question**

Question: Can I accept an electronic signature for a printed prescription?

Answer: No. All printed prescriptions must have the manual signature of the prescriber in wet ink.

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