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Board Authorizes Temporary Use of Mobile Pharmacies and Clinics

In response to Governor Gavin Newsom's declaration of emergency, the California State Board of Pharmacy will permit the employment of mobile pharmacies or clinics pursuant to Business and Professions Code (BPC) section 4062(c) for the purpose of ensuring continuity of patient care during the COVID-19 public health crisis.

Under the Board's policy, this permission granted by the Board president is limited to 30 days.

Temporary Use of Mobile Pharmacy or Clinic (BPC section 4062(c)) – 3/24/20

The Board will allow the temporary use of a mobile pharmacy or clinic to ensure the continuity of patient care. Notwithstanding BPC section 4110, an allowable mobile pharmacy or clinic includes an ancillary location approved by the pharmacist-in-charge that satisfies all the following requirements:

1. The mobile pharmacy or clinic provides services only on or contiguous to the site of the licensed pharmacy or clinic.
2. The mobile pharmacy or clinic shares common ownership with the licensed pharmacy or clinic, and that licensed pharmacy or clinic is in good standing.
3. The mobile pharmacy or clinic is under the control and management of the same pharmacist-in-charge or professional director as the licensed pharmacy or clinic.
4. The mobile pharmacy or clinic retains records of dispensing.
5. A licensed pharmacist is on the premises of a mobile pharmacy while drugs and other pharmacy services are provided. A licensed prescriber is on the premises of the mobile clinic while drugs are being dispensed.
6. Reasonable security measures are taken to safeguard the drug supply maintained in the mobile pharmacy or clinic.

Notification shall be provided to the Board of the use of a mobile pharmacy or clinic. As part of the notification, the license number of the pharmacy or clinic must be provided along with the location of the mobile pharmacy or clinic. Notification should be sent to phystatus@dca.ca.gov.