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Drug Delivery and Control

(1) The health officer is responsible for the establishment of policies and procedures that include:

(a) Procedures for drug dispensing, storage, security, and accountability;

(b) Maintenance of all drug records required by federal and state law;

(c) Procedures for procurement of drugs.

(2) Dispensing:

(a) A drug may only be dispensed by a practitioner who has been given dispensing privileges by their licensing board or by a Registered Nurse;

(b) A drug must be dispensed in a container complying with the federal Poison Prevention Packaging Act unless the patient requests a non-complying container;

(c) A Registered Nurses may only dispense a drug listed in, or for a condition listed in, the formulary;

(d) Each drug that is dispensed must be labeled with the following information:

(A) Name of patient;

(B) Name of prescriber;

(C) Name, address, and phone number of the clinic;

(D) Date of dispensing;

(E) Name and strength of the drug. If the drug does not have a brand name, then the generic name of the drug and the drug manufacturer must be stated;

(F) Directions for use;

(G) Initials of the person dispensing;

(H) Cautionary statements, if any, as required by law;

(I) Manufacturer's expiration date, or an earlier date if preferable, after which the patient should not use the drug.

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(e) A drug information fact sheet must accompany each drug dispensed from a county health clinic.

(3) Repackaged Drugs. A drug repackaged for dispensing must be in a container meeting USP standards and labeled to identify at a minimum:

(a) Brand name, or generic name and manufacturer;

(b) Strength;

(c) Lot number;

(d) Manufacturer's expiration date or an earlier date if preferable. An internal control number which references manufacturer and lot number may be used.

(4) Drug Security, Storage, and Disposal:

(a) In the absence of a dispensing practitioner or a Registered Nurse, drugs must be kept in a locked drug cabinet or drug room which is sufficiently secure to deny access to unauthorized persons. Only dispensing practitioners and Registered Nurses may have a key to the drug cabinet or drug room. In their absence, the drug cabinet or drug room must remain locked.

(b) All drugs must be stored in areas which will assure proper sanitation, temperature, light, ventilation and moisture control as recommended by the manufacturer.

(c) Drugs which are outdated, damaged, deteriorated, misbranded, or adulterated must be quarantined and physically separated from other drugs until they are destroyed or returned to their supplier.

(5) Drug Records;

(a) A dispensing record must be maintained separately from the patient chart and kept for a minimum of three years. The record must show, at a minimum, the following:

(A) Name of patient;

(B) Brand name of drug, or generic name and name of manufacturer or distributor;

(C) Date;

(D) Initials of person dispensing the prescription.

(b) All records of receipt and disposal of drugs must be kept for a minimum of three years;

(c) All records required by these rules or by federal and state law must be readily retrievable and available for inspection by the Board.

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(6) Not withstanding any other requirements in this rule, when a drug is dispensed in the practice of an Expedited Partner Therapy treatment protocol, the name of the patient may be omitted from the label, the patient's name may be omitted from the records and a drug may be dispensed to the patient to be given to the patient's partner even if the partner has not been examined by a licensed health care provider acting within their scope of practice.

(7) Upon written request, the Board may waive any of the requirements of this rule if a waiver will further public health and safety. A waiver granted under this section shall only be effective when it is issued in writing.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 689.205 & 689.605
Stats. Implemented: ORS 689.155, 689.505 & 676.350

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