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AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to establishing under the direction of the state board of pharmacy a drug repository program to accept and dispense donated prescription drugs

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 Section 1. The education law is amended by adding a new section 6829
2 to read as follows:

3 S 6829. REPOSITORY PROGRAM; ACCEPT AND DISPENSE DONATED PRESCRIPTION
4 DRUGS. 1. AS USED IN THIS SECTION: A. "HOSPITAL" HAS THE SAME MEANING AS
5 IN SUBDIVISION ONE OF SECTION TWENTY-EIGHT HUNDRED ONE OF THE PUBLIC
6 HEALTH LAW.

7 B. "NONPROFIT CLINIC" MEANS A CORPORATION AS DEFINED IN SUBPARAGRAPH
8 FIVE OF PARAGRAPH (A) OF SECTION ONE HUNDRED TWO OF THE NOT-FOR-PROFIT
9 CORPORATION LAW, OR ANY CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION NOT ORGANIZED AND NOT
10 OPERATED FOR PROFIT, THAT PROVIDES HEALTH CARE SERVICES TO INDIGENT AND
11 UNINSURED PERSONS. "NONPROFIT CLINIC" SHALL NOT INCLUDE A HOSPITAL OR A
12 FACILITY AS DEFINED IN SUBDIVISION ONE OF SECTION TWENTY-EIGHT HUNDRED
13 ONE OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH LAW.

14 C. "PRESCRIPTION DRUG" MEANS ANY DRUG TO WHICH THE FOLLOWING APPLIES:
15 (1) UNDER THE FOOD, DRUG, AND COSMETIC ACT, 52 STAT. 1040 (1938), 21
16 U.S.C.A. 301, AS AMENDED, THE DRUG IS REQUIRED TO BEAR A LABEL CONTAIN-
17 ING THE LEGEND, "CAUTION: FEDERAL LAW PROHIBITS DISPENSING WITHOUT
18 PRESCRIPTION" OR "CAUTION: FEDERAL LAW RESTRICTS THIS DRUG TO USE BY OR

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets
[] is old law to be omitted.

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1 ON THE ORDER OF A LICENSED VETERINARIAN" OR ANY SIMILAR RESTRICTIVE
2 STATEMENT, OR THE DRUG MAY BE DISPENSED ONLY UPON A PRESCRIPTION.

3 (2) UNDER THIS ARTICLE, THE DRUG MAY BE DISPENSED ONLY UPON A
4 PRESCRIPTION.

5 (3) DRUGS THAT CAN ONLY BE DISPENSED TO A PATIENT REGISTERED WITH THE
6 DRUG'S MANUFACTURER IN ACCORDANCE WITH FEDERAL FOOD AND DRUG ADMINIS-
7 TRATION REQUIREMENTS MAY NOT BE ACCEPTED OR DISTRIBUTED UNDER THE
8 PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION.

9 2. THE STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY SHALL ESTABLISH A DRUG REPOSITORY
10 PROGRAM TO ACCEPT AND DISPENSE PRESCRIPTION DRUGS DONATED FOR THE
11 PURPOSE OF BEING DISPENSED TO INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE RESIDENTS OF THIS
12 STATE AND MEET ELIGIBILITY STANDARDS ESTABLISHED IN RULES AND REGU-
13 LATIONS ADOPTED BY THE BOARD UNDER SUBDIVISION FIVE OF THIS SECTION.
14 ONLY PRESCRIPTION DRUGS IN THEIR ORIGINAL SEALED AND TAMPER-EVIDENT UNIT
15 DOSE PACKAGING SHALL BE ACCEPTED AND DISPENSED. THE PACKAGING SHALL BE
16 UNOPENED, EXCEPT THAT DRUGS PACKAGED IN SINGLE UNIT DOSES SHALL BE
17 ACCEPTED AND DISPENSED WHEN THE OUTSIDE PACKAGING IS OPENED IF THE
18 SINGLE UNIT DOSE PACKAGING IS UNDISTURBED. PRESCRIPTION DRUGS DONATED BY
19 INDIVIDUALS BEARING AN EXPIRATION DATE THAT IS LESS THAN SIX MONTHS FROM
20 THE DATE THE DRUG IS DONATED SHALL NOT BE ACCEPTED OR DISPENSED. A
21 PRESCRIPTION DRUG SHALL NOT BE ACCEPTED OR DISPENSED IF THERE IS REASON
22 TO BELIEVE THAT IT IS ADULTERATED AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION SIXTY-EIGHT
23 HUNDRED FIFTEEN OF THIS ARTICLE. SUBJECT TO THE LIMITATION SPECIFIED IN
24 THIS SUBDIVISION, UNUSED PRESCRIPTION DRUGS DISPENSED FOR PURPOSES OF
25 THE MEDICAID PROGRAM MAY BE ACCEPTED AND DISPENSED UNDER THE DRUG REPOS-
26 ITORY PROGRAM.

27 3. A. ANY PERSON, INCLUDING A DRUG MANUFACTURER OR ANY HEALTH CARE
28 FACILITY MAY DONATE PRESCRIPTION DRUGS TO THE DRUG REPOSITORY PROGRAM.
29 THE DRUGS SHALL BE DONATED AT A PHARMACY, HOSPITAL OR NONPROFIT CLINIC
30 THAT ELECTS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE DRUG REPOSITORY PROGRAM AND MEETS
31 CRITERIA FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE PROGRAM ESTABLISHED IN RULES AND REGU-
32 LATIONS ADOPTED BY THE STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY UNDER SUBDIVISION FIVE OF
33 THIS SECTION. PARTICIPATION IN THE PROGRAM BY PHARMACIES, HOSPITALS AND
34 NONPROFIT CLINICS IS VOLUNTARY. NOTHING IN THIS SECTION REQUIRES A PHAR-
35 MACY, HOSPITAL OR NONPROFIT CLINIC TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PROGRAM.

36 B. A PHARMACY, HOSPITAL OR NONPROFIT CLINIC ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE IN
37 THE PROGRAM SHALL DISPENSE PRESCRIPTION DRUGS DONATED UNDER THIS SECTION
38 TO INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE RESIDENTS OF THIS STATE AND MEET THE ELIGIBILITY
39 STANDARDS ESTABLISHED IN RULES AND REGULATIONS ADOPTED BY THE BOARD
40 UNDER SUBDIVISION FIVE OF THIS SECTION OR TO OTHER GOVERNMENT ENTITIES
41 AND NONPROFIT PRIVATE ENTITIES TO BE DISPENSED TO INDIVIDUALS WHO MEET
42 THE ELIGIBILITY STANDARDS. A PRESCRIPTION DRUG SHALL BE DISPENSED ONLY
43 PURSUANT TO A PRESCRIPTION ISSUED BY A LICENSED HEALTH PROFESSIONAL
44 AUTHORIZED TO PRESCRIBE DRUGS, AS DEFINED IN SECTION SIXTY-EIGHT HUNDRED
45 TWO OF THIS ARTICLE. A PHARMACY, HOSPITAL OR NONPROFIT CLINIC THAT
46 ACCEPTS DONATED DRUGS SHALL COMPLY WITH ALL APPLICABLE FEDERAL LAWS AND
47 LAWS OF THIS STATE DEALING WITH STORAGE AND DISTRIBUTION OF DANGEROUS
48 DRUGS AND SHALL INSPECT ALL PRESCRIPTION DRUGS PRIOR TO DISPENSING THEM
49 TO DETERMINE THAT SUCH DRUGS ARE NOT ADULTERATED. THE PHARMACY, HOSPITAL
50 OR NONPROFIT CLINIC SHALL CHARGE INDIVIDUALS RECEIVING DONATED
51 PRESCRIPTION DRUGS A HANDLING FEE ESTABLISHED IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULES
52 AND REGULATIONS ADOPTED BY THE BOARD UNDER SUBDIVISION FIVE OF THIS
53 SECTION. PRESCRIPTION DRUGS DONATED TO THE REPOSITORY SHALL NOT BE
54 RESOLD.

1 4. A. AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONAL" MEANS ANY OF
2 THE FOLLOWING WHO PROVIDE MEDICAL, DENTAL OR OTHER HEALTH-RELATED DIAG-
3 NOSIS, CARE OR TREATMENT:

4 (1) INDIVIDUALS AUTHORIZED UNDER THIS TITLE TO PRACTICE MEDICINE AND
5 SURGERY OR PODIATRIC MEDICINE AND SURGERY;

6 (2) REGISTERED PROFESSIONAL NURSES AND LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSES
7 LICENSED UNDER ARTICLE ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-NINE OF THIS TITLE;

8 (3) PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS AUTHORIZED TO PRACTICE UNDER ARTICLE ONE
9 HUNDRED THIRTY-ONE-B OF THIS TITLE;

10 (4) DENTISTS AND DENTAL HYGIENISTS LICENSED UNDER ARTICLE ONE HUNDRED
11 THIRTY-THREE OF THIS TITLE;

12 (5) OPTOMETRISTS LICENSED UNDER ARTICLE ONE HUNDRED FORTY-THREE OF
13 THIS TITLE;

14 (6) PHARMACISTS LICENSED UNDER THIS ARTICLE.

15 B. THE STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY; THE COMMISSIONER OF HEALTH; ANY
16 PERSON, INCLUDING A DRUG MANUFACTURER OR GOVERNMENT ENTITY THAT DONATES
17 PRESCRIPTION DRUGS TO THE REPOSITORY PROGRAM; ANY PHARMACY, HOSPITAL,
18 NONPROFIT CLINIC OR HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONAL THAT ACCEPTS OR DISPENSES
19 PRESCRIPTION DRUGS UNDER THE PROGRAM; AND ANY PHARMACY, HOSPITAL OR
20 NONPROFIT CLINIC THAT EMPLOYS A HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONAL WHO, REASONABLY
21 AND IN GOOD FAITH, ACCEPTS OR DISPENSES PRESCRIPTION DRUGS UNDER THE
22 PROGRAM SHALL NOT BE SUBJECT TO ANY OF THE FOLLOWING FOR MATTERS RELATED
23 TO DONATING, ACCEPTING OR DISPENSING PRESCRIPTION DRUGS UNDER THE
24 PROGRAM: CRIMINAL PROSECUTION; LIABILITY IN TORT OR OTHER CIVIL ACTION
25 FOR INJURY, DEATH OR LOSS TO PERSON OR PROPERTY; OR PROFESSIONAL DISCI-
26 PLINARY ACTION.

27 A DRUG MANUFACTURER, WHO ACTS REASONABLY AND IN GOOD FAITH, SHALL NOT
28 BE SUBJECT TO CRIMINAL PROSECUTION OR LIABILITY IN TORT OR OTHER CIVIL
29 ACTION FOR INJURY, DEATH OR LOSS TO PERSON OR PROPERTY FOR MATTERS
30 RELATED TO THE DONATION, ACCEPTANCE OR DISPENSING OF A PRESCRIPTION DRUG
31 MANUFACTURED BY THE DRUG MANUFACTURER THAT IS DONATED BY ANY PERSON
32 UNDER THE PROGRAM, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO LIABILITY FOR FAILURE TO
33 TRANSFER OR COMMUNICATE PRODUCT OR CONSUMER INFORMATION OR THE EXPIRA-
34 TION DATE OF THE DONATED PRESCRIPTION DRUG.

35 5. IN CONSULTATION WITH THE COMMISSIONER OF HEALTH, THE STATE BOARD OF
36 PHARMACY SHALL ADOPT RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE DRUG REPOSITORY
37 PROGRAM THAT ESTABLISH ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:

38 A. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR PHARMACIES, HOSPITALS AND NONPROFIT CLIN-
39 ICES TO RECEIVE AND DISPENSE DONATED PRESCRIPTION DRUGS UNDER THE
40 PROGRAM;

41 B. STANDARDS AND PROCEDURES FOR ACCEPTING, SAFELY STORING AND DISPENS-
42 ING DONATED PRESCRIPTION DRUGS;

43 C. STANDARDS AND PROCEDURES FOR INSPECTING DONATED PRESCRIPTION DRUGS
44 TO DETERMINE THAT THE ORIGINAL UNIT DOSE PACKAGING IS SEALED AND
45 TAMPER-EVIDENT AND THAT THE DRUGS ARE UNADULTERATED, SAFE AND SUITABLE
46 FOR DISPENSING;

47 D. ELIGIBILITY STANDARDS BASED ON ECONOMIC NEED FOR INDIVIDUALS TO
48 RECEIVE PRESCRIPTION DRUGS;

49 E. A MEANS, SUCH AS AN IDENTIFICATION CARD, BY WHICH AN INDIVIDUAL WHO
50 IS ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE DONATED PRESCRIPTION DRUGS SHALL DEMONSTRATE
51 ELIGIBILITY TO THE PHARMACY, HOSPITAL OR NONPROFIT CLINIC DISPENSING THE
52 DRUGS;

53 F. A FORM THAT AN INDIVIDUAL RECEIVING A PRESCRIPTION DRUG FROM THE
54 REPOSITORY SHALL SIGN BEFORE RECEIVING THE DRUG TO CONFIRM THAT THE
55 INDIVIDUAL UNDERSTANDS THE IMMUNITY PROVISIONS OF THE PROGRAM;

1 G. A FORMULA TO DETERMINE THE AMOUNT OF A HANDLING FEE THAT PHARMA-
2 CIES, HOSPITALS AND NONPROFIT CLINICS SHALL CHARGE TO PRESCRIPTION DRUG
3 RECIPIENTS TO COVER RESTOCKING AND DISPENSING COSTS;

4 H. IN ADDITION, FOR PRESCRIPTION DRUGS DONATED TO THE REPOSITORY BY
5 INDIVIDUALS:

6 (1) A LIST OF PRESCRIPTION DRUGS, ARRANGED EITHER BY CATEGORY OR BY
7 INDIVIDUAL DRUG, THAT THE REPOSITORY SHALL ACCEPT FROM INDIVIDUALS;

8 (2) A LIST OF PRESCRIPTION DRUGS, ARRANGED EITHER BY CATEGORY OR BY
9 INDIVIDUAL DRUG, THAT THE REPOSITORY SHALL NOT ACCEPT FROM INDIVIDUALS.
10 THE LIST SHALL INCLUDE BUT NOT BE LIMITED TO, A STATEMENT AS TO WHY THE
11 DRUG IS INELIGIBLE FOR DONATION.

12 (3) A FORM EACH DONOR SHALL SIGN STATING THAT THE DONOR IS THE OWNER
13 OF THE PRESCRIPTION DRUGS AND INTENDS TO VOLUNTARILY DONATE SUCH DRUGS
14 TO THE REPOSITORY.

15 I. IN ADDITION, FOR PRESCRIPTION DRUGS DONATED TO THE REPOSITORY BY
16 HEALTH CARE FACILITIES:

17 (1) A LIST OF PRESCRIPTION DRUGS, ARRANGED EITHER BY CATEGORY OR BY
18 INDIVIDUAL DRUG, THAT THE REPOSITORY SHALL ACCEPT FROM HEALTH CARE
19 FACILITIES;

20 (2) A LIST OF PRESCRIPTION DRUGS, ARRANGED EITHER BY CATEGORY OR BY
21 INDIVIDUAL DRUG, THAT THE REPOSITORY SHALL NOT ACCEPT FROM HEALTH CARE
22 FACILITIES. THE LIST SHALL INCLUDE A STATEMENT AS TO WHY SUCH DRUG IS
23 INELIGIBLE FOR DONATION.

24 J. ANY OTHER STANDARDS AND PROCEDURES THE BOARD CONSIDERS APPROPRIATE.

25 S 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth day after
26 it shall have become a law; provided, however, that effective immediate-
27 ly, the addition, amendment and/or repeal of any rule or regulation
28 necessary for the implementation of this act on its effective date are
29 authorized and directed to be made and completed on or before such
30 effective date.