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**MAINE BOARD OF PHARMACY**

2020 - 2021 Regulatory Agenda

AGENCY UMBRELLA-UNIT NUMBER: **02-392**

AGENCY NAME: Department of Professional & Financial Regulation, Office of Professional and Occupational Regulation, **Maine Board of Pharmacy**

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**EMERGENCY RULES ADOPTED SINCE THE LAST REGULATORY AGENDA:** None.

**EXPECTED 2020-2021 RULE-MAKING ACTIVITY:** Rulemaking is currently in well progress. Joint rulemaking is also in progress to establish collaborative drug therapy management between the Board of Pharmacy and the Board of Nursing similar to the collaborative drug therapy management joint rule between the Board and the Board of Licensure in Medicine. Rules will be updated, streamlined, and eliminate unnecessary rules for individuals applying for pharmacist, pharmacy intern and pharmacy technician licensure and practice requirements, the licensing and operation of entities and to ensure that rules are compliant with current laws and practice standards, and provide clarification of certain rules as necessary. As part of this major rules overhaul, the Board will consider remote pharmacy practice to the extent that current law allows methods of prescription delivery systems to the extent permitted by law. The Board will review all current federal regulations and good practice guidelines adopted by reference for updates and may consider others based on practice need determination, including sterile and nonsterile compounding. Review rules throughout for updates to the term “habitual substance abuse” to “habitual substance use” pursuant to Public Law 2018 Chapter 407. The Board will also develop rules to implement 2019 Public Law Chapter 454 for the sale of nonprescription drugs through vending machines. If necessary, the Board may consider rules for purposes of registration of manufacturers that produce opioids and opioid product registration and may be necessary for requirements under Public Law 2020 Chapter 536 to improve accountability of opioid manufacturers. Board may consider recommendations to pharmacies on use of 2-dimensional machine-scannable barcode that can be read by use of electronic devices for storing information or directing or leading a user to additional prescription drug use and information.

**CHAPTER 1**: Definitions

STATUTORY BASIS: 32 M.R.S. §§ 13720, 13723

PURPOSE: This chapter defines certain specialized terms used throughout all rules adopted by the board. The board may review this chapter for conformance with statutes and make updates as may be necessary.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Within one year, if necessary.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not Contemplated

**CHAPTER 2**: Advisory Rulings

STATUTORY BASIS: 5 M.R.S. §§ 8051, 9001(4)

PURPOSE: This chapter provides for the discretionary issuance of advisory rulings by the board. The board may review this chapter for conformance with statutes and make updates as may be necessary.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Within one year, if necessary.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not Contemplated

**CHAPTER 3**: Applicability of Rules to Unregistered Facilities

STATUTORY BASIS: 32 M.R.S. §§ 13720, 13721(1)(D), 13723

PURPOSE: This chapter provides for the applicability of the board’s rules to the facilities identified in 32 MRS §13721(1)(D). The board may review this chapter for conformance with statutes and make updates as may be necessary.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Within one year, if necessary.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not Contemplated

**CHAPTER 4**: Licensure of Pharmacists

STATUTORY BASIS: 32 M.R.S. §§ 13720, 13721(1), 13723, 13732, 13733, 13734

PURPOSE: This chapter sets forth the application procedure for persons applying for licensure as a pharmacist. The board may review this chapter for conformance with statutes and make updates as may be necessary.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Within one year, if necessary.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not Contemplated

**CHAPTER 4-A**: Administration of Drugs and Immunizations

STATUTORY BASIS: 32 M.R.S. §§ 13720, 13723, 13831, 13832, 13833, 13834(1), 13835

PURPOSE: This chapter sets forth minimum requirements for treatment protocols, administration and recordkeeping requirements, and standards for the operation of drug administration clinics. The board may review this chapter for conformance with statutes and make updates as may be necessary.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Within one year, if necessary.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not Contemplated

**CHAPTER 5**: Continuing Pharmacy Education

STATUTORY BASIS: 32 M.R.S. §§ 13720, 13723, 13735

PURPOSE: This chapter implements the requirement in 32 M.R.S. § 13735 that each pharmacist complete 15 hours of continuing pharmacy education annually as a condition of license renewal. The board may review this chapter for conformance with statutes and make updates as may be necessary.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Within one year, if necessary.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not Contemplated

**CHAPTER 6-A**: Pharmacy Student Internship Programs

STATUTORY BASIS: 32 M.R.S. §§ 13720, 13721(1)(G), 13723, 13732(3), 13834(1)

PURPOSE: This chapter sets forth requirements of the pharmacy student internship required for licensure by Chapter 4, Section 1(4)(B) of the board's rules. The board may review this chapter for conformance with statutes and make updates as may be necessary.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Within one year, if necessary.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not Contemplated

**CHAPTER 7**: Licensure and Employment of Pharmacy Technicians

STATUTORY BASIS: 32 M.R.S. §§ 13720, 13721(I)(H), 13723

PURPOSE: This chapter sets forth the qualifications, permissible duties and supervision responsibilities of the pharmacist in charge with respect to licensed pharmacy technicians. The board may review this chapter for conformance with statutes and make updates as may be necessary.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Within one year, if necessary.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not Contemplated

**CHAPTER 8**: Licensure of Retail Drug Outlets

STATUTORY BASIS: 32 M.R.S. §§ 13720, 13721(1)(E), 13722(1)(B), 13723, 13751, 13752, 13752-A, 13753

PURPOSE: This chapter sets forth licensure requirements for retain drug outlets. The board may review this chapter for conformance with statutes and make updates as may be necessary.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Within one year, if necessary.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not Contemplated

**CHAPTER 9**: Registration of Rural Health Centers

STATUTORY BASIS: 32 M.R.S. §§ 13720, 13721(1)(E), 13723, 13751, 13762, 13763, 13764

PURPOSE: This chapter sets forth registration requirements for rural health centers. The board may review this chapter for conformance with statutes and make updates as may be necessary.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Within one year, if necessary.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not Contemplated

**CHAPTER 10**: Registration of Free Clinics

STATUTORY BASIS: 32 M.R.S. §§ 13720, 13721(1)(E), 13723, 13751, 13752, 13752-A, 13753

PURPOSE: This chapter sets forth registration requirements for free clinics. The board may review this chapter for conformance with statutes and make updates as may be necessary.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Within one year, if necessary.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not Contemplated

**CHAPTER 11**: Registration of Mail Order Prescription Pharmacies and Licensure of Mail Order Contact Lens Suppliers

STATUTORY BASIS: 32 M.R.S. §§ 13720, 13721(1)(E), 13721(2), 13723, 13751, 13752, 13752-A, 13753

PURPOSE: This chapter sets forth registration requirements for mail order prescription pharmacies and license requirements for mail order contact lens suppliers. This chapter also contains enforcement provisions unique to these two types of drug outlet. The board may review this chapter for conformance with statutes and make updates as may be necessary.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Within one year, if necessary.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not Contemplated

**CHAPTER 12**: Licensure of Manufacturers and Wholesalers

STATUTORY BASIS: 32 M.R.S. §§ 13720, 13721(1)(E), 13723, 13751, 13758

PURPOSE: This chapter sets forth license requirements for wholesalers, also known as wholesale pharmacies or wholesale drug distributors, and manufacturers. The board may review this chapter for conformance with statutes and make updates as may be necessary.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Within one year, if necessary.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not Contemplated

**CHAPTER 13**: Operation of Retail Pharmacies

STATUTORY BASIS: 32 M.R.S. §§ 13720, 13721(1), 13722, 13723, 13751

PURPOSE: This chapter sets forth operation requirements for retail pharmacies licensed by the board. The board may review this chapter for conformance with statutes and make updates as may be necessary.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Within one year, if necessary.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not Contemplated

**CHAPTER 14**: Pharmacy Services at Rural Health Centers

STATUTORY BASIS: 32 M.R.S. §§ 13720, 13721(1), 13722, 13723, 13762, 13763, 13764

PURPOSE: This chapter sets forth requirements for the pharmacy services provided by rural health centers licensed by the board. The board may review this chapter for conformance with statutes and make updates as may be necessary.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Within one year, if necessary.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not Contemplated

**CHAPTER 15**: Operation of Free Clinics

STATUTORY BASIS: 32 M.R.S. §§ 13720, 13721(1), 13722, 13723

PURPOSE: This chapter sets forth requirements for the operation of free clinics licensed by the board. The board may review this chapter for conformance with statutes and make updates as may be necessary.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Within one year, if necessary.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not Contemplated

**CHAPTER 16**: Operation of Wholesalers and Manufacturers

STATUTORY BASIS: 32 M.R.S. §§ 13720, 13721(1), 13722, 13723, 13751(3), 13758

PURPOSE: This chapter sets forth operational requirements for wholesale drug distributors, including wholesalers and manufacturers. The board may review this chapter for conformance with statutes and make updates as may be necessary.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Within one year, if necessary.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not Contemplated

**CHAPTER 17**: Operation of Nuclear Drug Outlets

STATUTORY BASIS: 32 M.R.S. §§ 13720, 13721(1), 13722, 13723

PURPOSE: This chapter incorporates by reference rules of the Maine Radiation Control Program applicable to nuclear drug outlets. The board may review this chapter for conformance with statutes and rules and make updates as may be necessary.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Within one year, if necessary.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not Contemplated

**CHAPTER 19**: Receipt and Handling of Prescription Drug Orders

STATUTORY BASIS: 22 M.R.S. § 2681(6); 32 M.R.S. §§ 13720, 13721(1), 13722, 13723, 13781, 13785, 13786-A, 13794, 13795

PURPOSE: This chapter sets forth requirements for creating, transmitting, filling and transferring prescription drug orders. The board may review this chapter for conformance with statutes and make updates as may be necessary.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Within one year, if necessary.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not Contemplated

**CHAPTER 20**: Automated Pharmacy Systems

STATUTORY BASIS: 32 M.R.S. §§ 13720, 13721(1), 13722(1)(B-1), 13723, 13751(3)

PURPOSE: This chapter sets forth requirements for automated pharmacy systems. The board may review this chapter for conformance with statutes and make updates as may be necessary.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Within one year, if necessary.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not Contemplated

**CHAPTER 20-A**: Self-Service Customer Kiosks

STATUTORY BASIS: 32 M.R.S. §§ 13720, 13721(1), 13722(1)(B-1), 13723, 13751(3)

PURPOSE: This chapter sets forth requirements for self-service customer kiosks. The board may review this chapter for conformance with statutes and make updates as may be necessary.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Within one year.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Retail pharmacists, retail pharmacies, the general public

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not Contemplated

**CHAPTER 21**: Central Prescription Processing

STATUTORY BASIS: 32 M.R.S. §§ 13720, 13721(1), 13722, 13723, 13784, 13785, 13794

PURPOSE: This chapter sets forth requirements for central prescription processing. The board may review this chapter for conformance with statutes and make updates as may be necessary.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Within one year, if necessary.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not Contemplated

**CHAPTER 22**: Sale of Schedule V Controlled Substances

STATUTORY BASIS: 32 M.R.S. §§ 13720, 13721(1), 13722(1)(E), 13723

PURPOSE: This chapter sets forth requirements for the sale of Schedule V controlled substances. The board may review this chapter for conformance with statutes and make updates as may be necessary.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Within one year, if necessary.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not Contemplated

**CHAPTER 23**: Accounting for Prescription Drugs

STATUTORY BASIS: 32 M.R.S. §§ 13720, 13721(1), 13722, 13723

PURPOSE: This chapter sets forth requirements relating to maintenance of a perpetual inventory, disposal of drugs, and reporting the loss of controlled substances. The board may review this chapter for conformance with statutes and make updates as may be necessary.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Within one year, if necessary.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not Contemplated

**CHAPTER 24**: Retention of Records by Pharmacies

STATUTORY BASIS: 32 M.R.S. §§ 13720, 13721(1), 13722(1)(B-1), 13723(7), 13785

PURPOSE: This chapter sets forth record retention requirements for pharmacies. The board may review this chapter for conformance with statutes and make updates as may be necessary.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Within one year, if necessary.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not Contemplated

**CHAPTER 25**: Patient Counseling

STATUTORY BASIS: 32 M.R.S. §§ 13720, 13721(1), 13722, 13723, 13784

PURPOSE: This chapter sets forth the pharmacist’s obligation to counsel patients. The board may review this chapter for conformance with statutes and make updates as may be necessary.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Within one year, if necessary.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not Contemplated

**CHAPTER 26**: Generic Substitutions

STATUTORY BASIS: 32 M.R.S. §§ 13720, 13721(1), 13722, 13723, 13781

PURPOSE: This chapter defines and outlines the use of generic and therapeutically equivalent drugs by pharmacists. The board may review this chapter for conformance with statutes and make updates as may be necessary.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Within one year, if necessary.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not Contemplated

**CHAPTER 27:** Possession and Administration of Noncontrolled Prescription Drugs by Nurses

STATUTORY BASIS: 32 M.R.S. §§ 13720, 13721(1), 13722, 13723, 13810

PURPOSE: This chapter defines the conditions under which nurses can possess and administer noncontrolled prescription drugs. This chapter, including the chapter title, will be amended to include new rules on the possession, dispensing and administration of certain noncontrolled drugs and substances to certified midwives.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Within one year, if necessary.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not Contemplated

**CHAPTER 28**: Enforcement and Disciplinary Procedures

STATUTORY BASIS: 32 M.R.S. §§ 13720, 13721(1)(F), 13722, 13723, 13741

PURPOSE: This chapter sets forth a licensee’s right to appeal certain board actions and specifies the enforcement and disciplinary procedures used by the board. The board may review this chapter for conformance with statutes and make updates as may be necessary.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Within one year, if necessary.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not Contemplated

**CHAPTER 29**: Violations of State or Federal Law or Rule; Other Standards

STATUTORY BASIS: 32 M.R.S. §§ 13720, 13721(1)(F), 13722, 13723, 13742-A(1)(C)

PURPOSE: This chapter recognizes certain state and federal statutes and rules and certain chapters of the U.S. Pharmacopeia as having established standards of professional behavior, the violation of which constitutes unprofessional conduct pursuant to 32 M.R.S. § 13742-A(1)(C). The board may review this chapter for conformance with statutes and make updates as may be necessary.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Within one year, if necessary.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not Contemplated

**CHAPTER 30**: Unprofessional Conduct

STATUTORY BASIS: 32 M.R.S. §§ 13720, 13721(1)(F), 13722, 13723, 13742-A(1)(C)

PURPOSE: This chapter establishes standards of professional behavior, the violation of which constitutes unprofessional conduct pursuant to 32 M.R.S. § 13742-A(1)(C). The board may review this chapter for conformance with statutes and make updates as may be necessary.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Within one year, if necessary.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not Contemplated

**CHAPTER 31**: Practice of Fraud or Deceit

STATUTORY BASIS: 32 M.R.S. §§ 13720, 13721(1)(F), 13722, 13723, 13741, 13742(2)(A)

PURPOSE: For purposes of 32 M.R.S. § 13742(2)(A), the practice of fraud or deceit includes, but is not limited to, the conduct described in this chapter. The board may review this chapter for conformance with statutes and make updates as may be necessary.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Within one year, if necessary.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not Contemplated

**CHAPTER 32**: Issuance of Citations

STATUTORY BASIS: 10 M.R.S. §8003-E; 32 M.R.S. §§ 13720, 13721(1)(F), 13722, 13723

PURPOSE: This chapter lists the violations for which a citation may be issued, describes the licensee’s right to request a hearing, and describes the time and manner in which the fine must be paid or a hearing requested. The board may review this chapter for conformance with statutes and make updates as may be necessary.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Within one year, if necessary.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not Contemplated

**CHAPTER 33**: Access to Certain Medications by Certified Midwives

STATUTORY BASIS: 32 M.R.S. §§ 13720, 13722, 13723, 13811, 13812

PURPOSE: This chapter implements P.L. 2007, c. 669 by: (a) regulating the sale of certain noncontrolled drugs and substances to certified midwives, (b) regulating the purchase and administration of certain noncontrolled drugs and substances by certified midwives, and (c) requiring certified midwives to record and report their purchase and administration of certain noncontrolled drugs and substances.

This chapter will be repealed as a result of Public Law 2015, Chapter 502, which repealed 32 M.R.S. §§ 13811 and 13812, the statutory references for this rule.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Within one year, if necessary.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not Contemplated

**CHAPTER 34**: Licensure of Retail Suppliers of Medical Oxygen

STATUTORY BASIS: 22 M.R.S. § 2681(6); 32 M.R.S. §§ 13720, 13721(1)(E), 13722(1)(B), 13723, 13751(3), 13752, 13752‑A, 13753(1)(D)

PURPOSE: This chapter establishes a limited type of retail pharmacy license for retail suppliers of medical oxygen. The board may review this chapter for conformance with statutes and make updates as may be necessary.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Within one year, if necessary.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Retail suppliers of medical oxygen and prescription devices

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not Contemplated

**CHAPTER 35**: Licensure of Extended Hospital Pharmacies

STATUTORY BASIS: 22 M.R.S. § 2681(6); 32 M.R.S. §§ 13720, 13721(1)(E), 13722(1)(B), 13723, 13751(3), 13752, 13752-A, 13753(1)(D)

PURPOSE: This chapter provides for the licensure of extended hospital pharmacies. The board may review this chapter for conformance with statutes and make updates as may be necessary.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Within one year, if necessary.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees, residents of long-term care facilities that are wholly owned by the hospital in which the extended hospital pharmacy is located.

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not Contemplated

**CHAPTER 36:** Licensure of Opioid Treatment Programs

STATUTORY BASIS: 32 M.R.S. §§ 13720, 13721(1)(E), 13722(1)(B), 13723, 13751(3), 13752, 13752-A, 13753(1)(D)

PURPOSE: This chapter provides for the licensure of opioid treatment programs. The board may review this chapter for conformance with statutes and make updates as may be necessary.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Within one year, if necessary.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees, general public

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not Contemplated

**CHAPTER 37:** Licensure of Sterile Compounding Pharmacies

STATUTORY BASIS: 32 M.R.S. §§ 13720, 13721(1)(E), 13722(1)(B), 13723,

13751(3), 13752, 13752-A, 13753(1)(D)

PURPOSE: This chapter provides for the licensure of sterile compounding pharmacies. The board may review this chapter for conformance with statutes and make updates as may be necessary.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Within one year, if necessary.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees, general public

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not Contemplated

**CHAPTER 38**: Licensure of Closed-Shop Pharmacies

STATUTORY BASIS: 32 M.R.S. §§ 13720, 13721(1)(E), 13722(1)(B), 13723, 13751(3), 13752, 13752-A, 13753(1)(D)

PURPOSE: This chapter provides for the licensure of closed-shop pharmacies. The board may review this chapter for conformance with statutes and make updates as may be necessary.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Within one year, if necessary.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees, residents of long-term care facilities and other institutions

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not Contemplated

**CHAPTER 39**: Collaborative Drug Therapy Management

STATUTORY BASIS: 32 M.R.S. §§ 13720, 13846

PURPOSE: This chapter is a joint rule between the Board of Licensure in Medicine and the Board of Pharmacy for purposes of establishing safe and effective collaborative practice agreements, treatment protocols, and documentation and reporting requirements between a pharmacist and a practitioner. The board may review this chapter for conformance with statutes and make updates as may be necessary.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Within one year, if necessary.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees of the Maine Boards of Pharmacy and Medicine.

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not Contemplated

**(New Tentatively) CHAPTER 39-A**: Collaborative Drug Therapy Management

STATUTORY BASIS: 32 M.R.S. §§ 13720, 13846

PURPOSE: This chapter is a joint rule between the Board of Nursing and the Board of Pharmacy for purposes of establishing safe and effective collaborative practice agreements, treatment protocols, and documentation and reporting requirements between a pharmacist and a nurse practitioner.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Within one year.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees of the Maine Boards of Pharmacy and Nursing.

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not Contemplated

**Chapter 40**: Authorization, Training and Procedures for Prescribing and Dispensing Naloxone Hydrochloride

STATUTORY BASIS: 32 MRS §§13720 and 13815

PURPOSE: This chapter establishes procedures and standards for authorizing pharmacists to prescribe and dispense naloxone hydrochloride (“Naloxone HCl”) and training requirements and protocols for prescribing and dispensing naloxone hydrochloride.

SCHEDULE FOR BASIS: Within one year.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees, general public

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not Contemplated