

Guidance on Vaccination Administration Authority for Pharmacy Interns and Pharmacy Technicians

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- I. Purpose
 - a. The purpose of this guidance is to provide clarification regarding whether a pharmacy student or intern or a pharmacy technician, who administers a vaccine, is required to have a signed vaccination protocol with a licensed physician.
- II. Statutory Authority
 - a. See K.S.A. 65-1635a
- III. Guidance
 - a. For purposes of this document:
 - i. pharmacy students and pharmacy interns will be considered “interns,” and
 - ii. pharmacy technicians will be considered “technicians.”
 - b. Interns and technicians are authorized to administer vaccines under K.S.A. 65-1635a only under the direct supervision and control of a pharmacist.
 - c. Each intern or technician is required to have completed an ACPE or Board-approved immunization training course and a CPR course. The intern or technician is required to have a current CPR certificate.
 - d. The supervising pharmacist is also required to have completed an ACPE or Board-approved immunization training course and a CPR course, and is required to have a current CPR certificate.
 - e. The supervising pharmacist is responsible for ensuring that he/she has a current, signed protocol with a licensed physician to administer vaccinations and that all requirements are met for administering, recording, and reporting all vaccinations administered by the intern or technician under the pharmacist’s supervision in accordance with the Kansas Pharmacy Practice Act.
 - f. Interns and technicians are not required to have a signed protocol or be party to a protocol between their supervising pharmacist and a licensed physician.