

MISSOURI BOARD OF PHARMACY

MISSOURI BOARD OF PHARMACY STATEMENT ON COVID-19 AND PHARMACY SAFETY (4-7-20)

The Missouri Board of Pharmacy has received multiple inquiries from the public regarding pharmacy protective equipment and safety measures in response to COVID-19. 20 CSR 2220-2.010(1)(F) provides pharmacies must be maintained in a clean and sanitary condition at all times. The Board understands the unprecedented demand on pharmacies, pharmacy staff and pharmacy resources at this time. The Board also recognizes the need to keep Missouri patients and pharmacy staff safe.

The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has recently issued guidance entitled "[Considerations for Pharmacies During the COVID-19 Pandemic](#)" which includes recommendations for minimizing the risk to pharmacy staff and reducing the risk for pharmacy patients. The Board endorses the CDC's guidance and strongly recommends all licensees implement necessary procedures to ensure the safety of pharmacy staff and Missouri patients.

