

1 AN ACT relating to pharmacists.

2 ***Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:***

3 ➔Section 1. KRS 217.215 is amended to read as follows:

- 4 (1) The ~~State~~ Board of Pharmacy, its agents and inspectors shall have the same
5 powers of inspection and enforcement as the cabinet under KRS 217.005 to
6 217.215, insofar as it relates to drugs in licensed pharmacies.
- 7 (2) The Board of Pharmacy may establish regulations relating to the storage and
8 retrieval of prescription records in licensed pharmacies, including regulations
9 regarding computerized recordkeeping systems.
- 10 (3) **(a)** No prescription for any drug may be refilled by a pharmacist unless authorized
11 by the prescribing practitioner, except that **in emergency situations in which**
12 **such authorization may not be readily or easily obtained from the**
13 **practitioner**~~the board of pharmacy may promulgate rules and regulations to~~
14 ~~permit~~ a pharmacist **may**~~to~~:
- 15 ~~1. (a)~~ Dispense up to a seventy-two (72) hour supply of maintenance
16 medication ~~in emergency situations in which such authorization may~~
17 ~~not be readily or easily obtained from the practitioner~~; ~~and~~
- 18 **2. Dispense greater than a seventy-two (72) hour supply of maintenance**
19 **medication if:**
- 20 **a. The standard unit of dispensing for the drug exceeds a seventy-**
21 **two (72) hour supply;**
- 22 **b. The pharmacist dispenses a supply of the drug that is equal to**
23 **the standard unit of dispensing for the drug; and**
- 24 **c. The drug is used for insulin therapy or the treatment of chronic**
25 **respiratory diseases; and**
- 26 ~~3. (b)~~ Dispense up to a thirty (30) day supply of maintenance medication
27 in emergency situations as authorized by KRS 315.500.

1 ~~(b)(4)~~ ~~{Such}~~ Emergency refills **dispensed under this subsection** shall not be
2 authorized for any controlled substance or for any drug which is not essential
3 to maintenance of life or continuation of therapy in chronic disease conditions.
4 **(c) The Board of Pharmacy shall promulgate administrative regulations to**
5 **carry out the provisions of this subsection.**