

**The National Association of State Controlled Substances Authorities  
State Regulatory Developments  
November 2009**

**DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

**Prescriptions/Distribution** - Proposed rule of the Department of Health would amend regulations regarding prescriptions and distribution. The proposal would coincide with federal standards to allow practitioners to issue multiple prescriptions for a controlled substance listed in Schedule II authorizing the patient to receive a total of up to a 90-day supply. The proposal replaces a July 10, 2009, proposed rule on the same topic. Comments are due Dec. 13, 2009. Contact: Kenneth Campbell; DOH, Office of the General Counsel; (202-442-5977)

**MAINE**

**Prescription Monitoring Program** - Proposed rule of the Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Substance Abuse, would amend regulations regarding the registration, collection, and dissemination of prescription data for schedule II, III, and IV drugs. The proposal would revise provisions concerning the controlled substances Prescription Monitoring Program and address a federal grant that requires more frequent data submission by pharmacies. Comments are due Nov. 20, 2009. Contact: Daniel Eccher; DHHS, Office of Substance Abuse; (207-287-3363)

**NEVADA**

**Controlled Substances** - Final rule of the State Board of Pharmacy amends regulations to revise the list of Schedule III controlled substances. The rule clarifies that dangerous drugs that contain ephedrine, pseudoephedrine, or phenylpropanolamine are not controlled substances. The rule is effective Oct. 27, 2009. Contact: SBP; (775-850-1440)

**WISCONSIN**

**Pharmacy Security/Utilization Review/Prescription Orders** - Proposed rule of the Pharmacy Examining Board would amend regulations regarding security systems, utilization reviews, and prescription orders transmitted by facsimile. The proposal would clarify that pharmacies must have a centrally monitored alarm system, replaces a reference to drug "initialization" review with drug "utilization" review, and clarify that prescription orders may be transmitted by a facsimile under specified conditions. A hearing is scheduled for Dec. 2, 2009, in Madison. Comments are due Dec. 2, 2009. Contact: Pamela Haack; Department of Regulation and Licensing, Division of Board Services; (608-266-0495)