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### Message from the Board Chairman

Welcome to the Gem State! Thank you for downloading the Idaho Pharmacy Law Book, which compiles select state laws relevant to the practice of pharmacy in or into Idaho.

The Board acknowledges that changes in the education and training of pharmacists, as well as rapid advancements in the technology environment, have required a change in approach to regulating the practice of pharmacy. The Board continues to embrace those changes and the growth of our profession.



Rule [24.36.01.100](#) provides guidance to licensees and registrants as they determine whether a specific act is permissible. First, a licensee or registrant should consider whether the act is expressly prohibited by any state or federal law. If an act is not expressly prohibited, the licensee should consider whether:

- The act is consistent with the licensee or registrant's education, training or practice experience; **and**
- Performance of the act is within the accepted standard of care that would be provided in a similar setting by a reasonable and prudent licensee or registrant with similar education, training and experience.

Two questions that may help licensee or registrant's successfully navigate this change in approach from prescriptive rules to professional judgment follow:

1. If someone asks why I made this decision, can I justify it as being consistent with good patient care and with law?
2. Would this decision withstand a test of reasonableness (e.g., would another prudent pharmacist make the same decision in this situation)?

You should consult an attorney if you have questions as to the legality of your actions under the laws and rules regulating pharmacy in the State of Idaho. It is your responsibility to ensure that you are acting consistently with those laws and rules.

The Board hopes that you find this compilation of select state laws relevant to the practice of pharmacy in or into Idaho helpful.

Respectfully yours,

Justin Messenger, PharmD  
Chairman