

PHARMACY BOARD OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

Standards for Pharmacy Business and Services

Pursuant to Clause 4, Schedule 8, of the Health Practitioners Act

OWNERSHIP OF PHARMACY AND NOTIFICATION OF CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP

The Pharmacy Board of the Northern Territory requires notification of all NT pharmacies and pharmacy owners.

Pursuant to the *Health Practitioners Act* a person must not own or exercise any control over pharmacy business unless the person is:

- a) an individual pharmacist who is registered in the Northern Territory;
- b) a partnership of which all partners are registered pharmacists in the Northern Territory;
- c) a corporation of which all shareholders and directors are registered pharmacists in the Northern Territory; or
- d) is an Aboriginal health service or friendly society that has been granted an exemption by the Minister.

A person must not own a pharmacy service unless the person is:

- a) an Aboriginal health service;
- b) a pharmacy service that is part of a public hospital; or
- c) a pharmacy service that is part of a defence force facility.

A pharmacist who has, who acquires, or who changes an ownership interest in a community pharmacy or a hospital pharmacy must advise the Pharmacy Board of the Northern Territory of that interest or of any change within 30 days of the change. The advice needs to state the names, addresses, contact numbers and registration numbers of all parties who have an ownership interest in the pharmacy and it needs to state the address and contact number of the pharmacy. The advice must include a signed and witnessed statutory declaration declaring that the pharmacy is meeting the minimum standards required by the Board.

The owner of a pharmacy business or pharmacy department must also notify the Board in writing of who has been appointed pharmacist-in-charge of that pharmacy business or pharmacy department as soon as practicable after the appointment has been made.

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