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Washington Pharmacy Law: A User's Guide 2015





Synopsis

This book, newly revised for 2015, provides pharmacists, pharmacy technicians, and owners or managers of pharmacies with the information they need to know about the law that affects the practice of pharmacy in the State of Washington. Readers will use it not only to prepare for licensure, but to help assure that as licensees of the Pharmacy Quality Assurance Commission they will enjoy long and successful careers without unnecessary legal entanglements. Others who have found this book useful are attorneys, paralegals, compliance officers, and regulators whose professional responsibilities encompass pharmacy practice or pharmaceuticals in Washington State. Each of the chapters covers a particular topic area, and combines in one place the related state and federal law and regulations, as well as decisions by state and federal courts that are not readily found in normal state pharmacy law sources. References to other hard to locate material include Commission policies, meeting minutes, and guidelines published by other agencies, commissions, or boards. For those who are using the book as a textbook, each chapter includes a list of ACPE Guidelines and MPJE Competencies that are covered therein. Chapter 1 - Introduction to the law, courts, and laws, and the structure of state and federal government. Chapter 2 - How to become a pharmacist, intern, pharmacy technician, or pharmacy assistant. Chapter 3 - How to establish, operate, or close a practice site or pharmacy business. Chapter 4 - How to legally and safely provide drugs and devices to patients. Chapter - How to deal with controlled substances and the DEA. Chapter 6 - How to obtain and use patient information to improve patient care, and when and when not to disclose protected health information. Chapter 7 - How to avoid discipline, civil lawsuits, and how to deal with employer-employee relationships and conflicts. Chapter 8 - How to avoid legal difficulties when dealing with Medicaid, Medicare, and 3rd party payers.

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****I will update my star rating once I finish the book.****I bought this book a few days ago, and am only on page 116, but I thought I would leave my comment now. This book is EXTREMELY thorough. More thorough than I need to study for the Washington MPJE. I wish that the entire first chapter was taken out of the book, but I understand that not everyone buying this book is using it to study for the MPJE. Now this might seem contradictory to what I just said, but I wish the book had more examples. For instance, when the author talks about "adulteration" and "misbranding," the definitions are quite clear, but some examples of adulterated or misbranded products would be helpful (because I believe there is a gray area). For example, if an RX comes in for a 5% cream, and the RPH fills the prescription for the 3% cream, and sticks a label that says 5% on it, is the product adulterated or misbranded? Additionally, it would be nice if the author separated Federal law from Washington law. Reading through this book, I'm not sure if what I'm reading is about a Federal law or a Washington law.

very helpful in studying for the Washington mpje. covered about everything that I saw on the exam, in conjunction with the guide to federal pharmacy law. Also it is a very good reference for the practicing pharmacist

I went to pharmacy school out of state, and took Wa MPJE, passed on the first time so the book did its job. But it's very dense, not many examples, and I still found the test very hard.

This was basically my sole source of studying for the MPJE in Washington and I passed on my first try, so the book served its purpose for me. I wish there were more examples to illustrate the law, but overall I'm pleased with my purchase.

I bought the 2015 version of this book to save a few bucks and I'm happy to say I passed the Washington MPJE on the first try. This book is very comprehensive and Dr. Fassett covers a lot of material, but it definitely helped me focus my studying, as the pharmacy law book you can download for free from the Washington Department of Health is a tough read. Thank you for this book, Dr. Fassett!

Currently reviewing this book for my MPJE and already found many incorrect facts. I may be better off reading from the DEA Manual and the Washington Law Book itself. Will update my review once my exam is over.

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