

Pharmacy Practice Regulations 2015









Practice of Pharmacy

- Compounding
- Dispensing
- Distribute
- Patient counseling
- Pharmaceutical care
- Pharmacy Practitioner
- Community pharmacist
- Hospital Pharmacist
- Drug Information Pharmacist
- Clinical Pharmacist
- Registered Pharmacist
- Prescription
- Types of Prescription
- Contents of the Prescription

Code of Pharmacy Ethics

- Declaration
- Privileges of persons registered as a pharmacist on the register of State Pharmacy Council
- Displaying name of owner and registered pharmacist
- Owner to appoint registered pharmacist
- Duties and responsibilities of the registered pharmacist in general
- Character of registered pharmacist
- Renewal of Registration
- Dispensing against prescription of Registered Medical Practitioner only
- Practical training to student pharmacists
- Pharmacy Inspectors to inspect pharmacies
- Maintaining good pharmacy practice
- Maintenance of patient records
- Highest Quality Assurance in patient care
- Exposure of Unethical Conduct
- Payment of Professional Services
- Application of other laws not barred

DUTIES OF REGISTERED PHARMACISTS TO THEIR PATIENTS

- Obligations to the Sick
- Patience, Delicacy and Secrecy
- Prognosis
- The Patient must not be neglected

DUTIES OF REGISTERED PHARMACIST

- Dispensing/Supply of Drugs
- Pharmacist for promotion of rational drug use
- Patient counselling

RESPONSIBILITIES OF REGISTERED PHARMACISTS TO EACH OTHER

- Conduct in Counselling
- Appointment of Substitute

DUTIES OF REGISTERED PHARMACIST TO THE PUBLIC AND TO THE PROFESSION

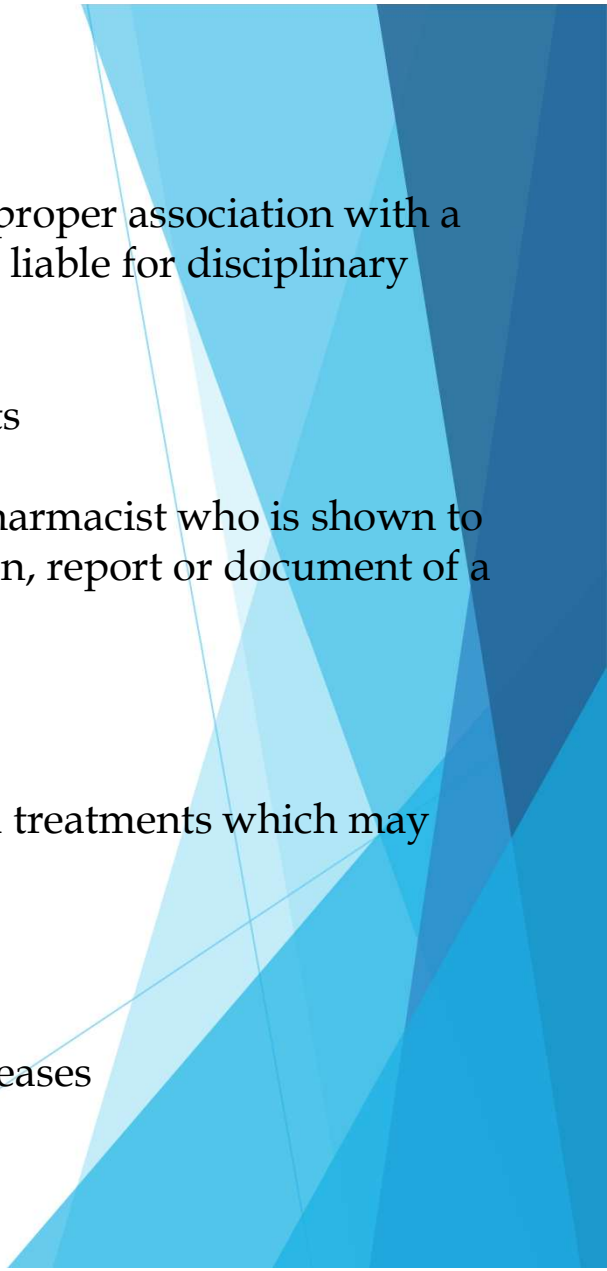
- Registered pharmacists as Citizens
- Public and Community Health
- Physician/Nurses

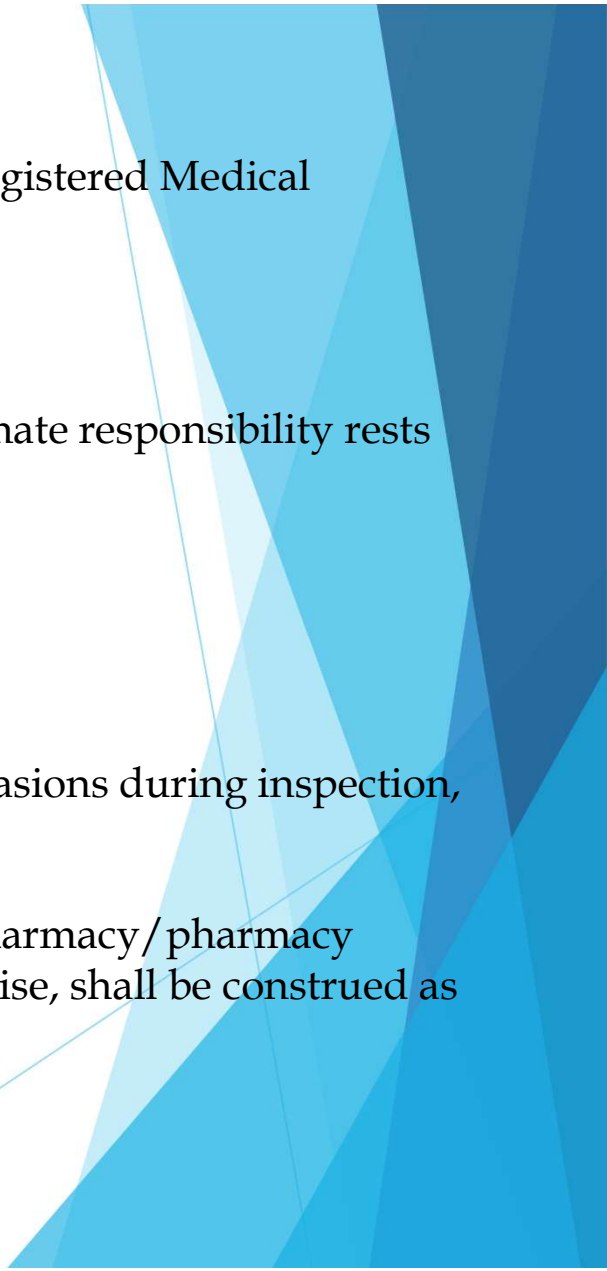
UNETHICAL ACTS

- Advertising
- Rebates and Commission
- Secret Remedies
- Human Rights

MISCONDUCT

- Violation of the regulations framed under the Act
- Dispensing medicines without the prescription of the Registered Medical Practitioner which are required to be dispensed on prescription only
- Substitution of the prescription without approval/consent of the Registered Medical Practitioner
- Allowing the owner of the pharmacy to use his pharmacist registration certificate without attending the pharmacy
- Giving his pharmacist registration certificate at more than one pharmacies
- Not maintaining the prescription/dispensing records of his patients for a period of five years as per regulation 6.2 a and refuses to provide the same within 72 hours when the patient or his authorised representative makes a request for it
- Not displaying the registration certificate accorded to him by the State Pharmacy Council in his pharmacy
- Willfully obstructing an inspector appointed under the Drugs & Cosmetics Act, 1940 and/or Pharmacy Act, 1948 for inspecting/enquiring/investigating

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- Committing adultery or improper conduct with a patient or by maintaining an improper association with a patient abusing his professional position. This will render a Registered pharmacist liable for disciplinary action as provided u/s 36 of the Pharmacy Act, 1948
 - Conviction by a Court of Law for offences involving moral turpitude/Criminal acts
 - Signing Professional Certificates, Reports and other Documents. Any registered pharmacist who is shown to have signed or given under his name and authority any such certificate, notification, report or document of a similar character which is untrue, misleading or improper
 - Issuing of certificates of efficiency in modern medicine to unqualified person
 - Contributing to the lay press articles and giving interviews regarding diseases and treatments which may have the effect of advertising himself
 - Disclosing the secrets of a patient
 - In a court of law under orders of the presiding judicial officer
 - Identified risk to a specific person and /or community; and notifiable diseases

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- Refusing on religious grounds alone to dispense medicines on the prescription of Registered Medical Practitioner
 - Publishing photographs or case reports of his patients without their permission
 - In the case of running of pharmacy and employing Registered Pharmacists, the ultimate responsibility rests on the registered pharmacist
 - Using touts or agents for procuring patients
 - Claiming himself to be specialist
 - If a registered pharmacist posted in rural area is found absent on more than two occasions during inspection, the same shall be construed as a misconduct
 - If a registered pharmacist working in Pharmacy is also found working in another pharmacy/pharmacy college/institution/industry/any other organization as a teaching faculty or otherwise, shall be construed as misconduct

- Any complaint with regard to professional misconduct can be brought before the Pharmacy Council of India/concerned State Pharmacy Council for disciplinary action. If the registered pharmacist is found to be guilty of committing professional misconduct, the Pharmacy Council of India/concerned State Pharmacy Council may award such punishment as deemed necessary or may direct the removal altogether or for a specified period, from the register of the name of the delinquent registered practitioner. Deletion from the Register shall be widely publicized in local press as well as in the publications of different Pharmacy Associations/ Societies/Bodies
- In case the punishment of removal from the register is for a limited period, the concerned State Pharmacy Council may also direct that the name so removed shall be restored in the register after the expiry of the period for which the name was ordered to be removed
- Decision on complaint against delinquent registered pharmacist shall be taken within a time limit of 6 months
- During the pendency of the complaint the concerned State Pharmacy Council may restrain the registered pharmacist from performing the procedure or practice which is under scrutiny
- For willful obstruction of an inspector appointed under the Drugs & Cosmetics Act, 1940 and Pharmacy Act, 1948, offence is punishable as provided under the respective Acts

DECLARATION

(see regulation 3.1)

(To be submitted at the time of application to the state pharmacy council for registration of name in the register of pharmacists)
I solemnly pledge myself to consecrate my life to service of humanity.

Even under threat, I will not use my pharmacy knowledge contrary to the laws of Humanity.

I will maintain the utmost respect for human life from the time of conception.

I will not permit considerations of religion, nationality, race, party politics or social standing to intervene between my duty and my patient.

I will practice my profession with conscience and dignity.

The health of my patient will be my first consideration.

I will respect the secrets which are confined in me.

I will give to my teachers the respect and gratitude which is their due.

I will maintain by all means in my power, the honour and noble traditions of pharmacy profession.

I will treat my colleagues with all respect and dignity.

I shall abide by the code of ethics as laid down by the Pharmacy Council of India.

I certify that I have read and agree to abide by the declarations made above. I make these promises solemnly, freely and upon my honour.

Signature

Name

Place

Address :

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