## CERTIFICATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE RULES FILED WITH THE LEGISLATIVE SERVICES AGENCY OTHNI LATHRAM, DIRECTOR

(Pursuant to Code of Alabama 1975, §41-22-6, as amended).

I certify that the attached is/are correct copy/copies of rule/s as promulgated and adopted on Wednesday, June 25, 2025, and filed with the agency secretary on Friday, June 27, 2025.

AGENCY NAME: Alabama State Board of Pharmacy

INTENDED ACTION: Amend

680-X-2-.45 RULE NO.:

(If amended rule, give specific paragraph, subparagraphs, etc., being

amended) N/A

RULE TITLE: Transferring Prescriptions

ACTION TAKEN: State whether the rule was adopted with or without changes from the proposal due to written or oral comments:

Adopted without changes. No comments received

NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION PUBLISHED IN VOLUME XLIII, ISSUE NO. 7, AAM, DATED WEDNESDAY, APRIL 30, 2025.

**STATUTORY RULEMAKING AUTHORITY:** 34-23-74

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LEGISLATIVE SVC AGENCY

(NOTE: In accordance with \$41-22-6\$ (b), as amended, a proposed rule is required to be certified within 90 days after completion of the notice.)

## 680-X-2-.45 Transferring Prescriptions.

- (1) The transfer of prescription information for a noncontrolled substance for the purpose of dispensing is permissible between pharmacies. Transfer prescriptions are subject to the following requirements:
  - (a) Transfers received orally must be communicated between licensed pharmacists or intern/externs under direct supervision of licensed pharmacists.
    - 1. The transferring pharmacist/intern/extern must record:
      - (i) Date of the transfer
      - (ii) Name of the pharmacist/intern/extern transferring the information
      - (iii) Name and address of the pharmacy to where the prescription was transferred
      - (iv) Name of the pharmacist/intern/extern receiving the information
    - 2. The pharmacist/intern/extern receiving the transfer must document the following:
      - (i) Date of the transfer
      - (ii) Name of the pharmacist/intern/extern transferring the information
      - (iii) Name and address of the pharmacy from where the prescription was transferred
      - (iv) Name of the patient
      - (v) Date the original prescription was issued
      - (vi) Name and strength of drug to be dispensed
      - (vii) Directions for use
      - (viii) Total number of refills and/or quantity
        remaining
      - (ix) Prescribing practitioner's name
      - (x) Date of last fill by transferring pharmacy

- (xi) Any additional information as deemed essential for proper communication of the prescription.
- (b) Transfers may be performed electronically when the following conditions are met:
  - 1. The transferring pharmacy must provide the receiving pharmacy with the following information in addition to the original prescription data:
    - (i) Total number of refills and/or quantity remaining
    - (ii) Name and address of the pharmacy from which the prescription was transferred.
  - 2. The pharmacy receiving the transfer must create an electronic record for the prescription that includes the transferring pharmacy's name and the original prescription data.

Author: Alabama State Board of Pharmacy

Statutory Authority: Code of Ala. 1975, §34-23-70

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