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Petition for Declaratory Statement before The Board Of Pharmacy

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Century Pharmacy would like a clarification on the necessary steps, authorization, and any additional licensure needed to provide a pharmacy drop off service at the local Hospital less than 1/2 mile away. The hospital has a small room in the lobby that could be utilized as a faxing facility, and/or a pick up location for outpatient, discharge, Employee, and emergency room prescriptions. This will facilitate the patients' access to their medications upon discharge. We have 2 scenarios for operation depending on the level of authorizations, licensure, and complexities that would be necessary.

Proposed Operations:
Scenario One:

The preferred operational scenario will be for Century Pharmacy to put our employee at the station at the hospital. This employee will take the necessary profile information along with any insurance information and fax the information along with the prescriptions to our pharmacy about 1/2 mile South of the Hospital. The patient could then have 3 options for access to their medications.

1. Come to Century Pharmacy and obtain their prescriptions upon discharge
2. Century Pharmacy will deliver the prescriptions back to the Hospital location for them to be picked up there.
3. Delivery to their home address

No shelf medications would be stocked at the hospital location just bagged completed prescriptions. HIPPA forms would be collected at the hospital location, and it would be open the same hours as Century Pharmacy so the patient could get any verbal counseling over the phone. We do provide the written counseling handouts with the prescription. Original prescriptions would be collected on a daily basis or during deliveries from the Pharmacy location.

Scenario Two:

Our employee at the hospital location would fax the insurance information, profile, and prescription to us at the Pharmacy location to accelerate the filling process. The patient then must bring us the original prescriptions and pick them up at the pharmacy location. In this fashion, the hospital location just acts as a communication hub to facilitate the speedy access to the patient's prescription.

The preferred Scenario is One but if there are too many restrictions and complications, we could operate under Scenario Two. Please advise on the requirements, licensure and necessary steps to provide this service at the hospital location.

If you have any questions or need any further information provided please feel free to contact me (Chris Lent) at 321-747-0600 or at the address above.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Chris Lent".

Chris Lent RPh