

Intern Hours Requirement for Pharmacist Licensure

The Massachusetts Board of Registration in Pharmacy (Board) has a 1500 intern hour requirement for Pharmacist licensure (247 CMR § 3.01).

For graduates of Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE) colleges/schools of pharmacy through 2011, this requirement consisted of verification of 1000 rotation hours verified from the ACPE colleges/schools along with preceptor affidavit of verification of 500 additional hours worked on (Massachusetts Intern Forms B & C).

Beginning with 2012 graduates, the Board will consider graduates of ACPE colleges/schools of pharmacy to have completely satisfied the 1500 intern hour requirement. Additionally the Board will document on applicant and/or licensee records the exact hours submitted on ACPE Verification of Graduation (VOG) forms up to 1740 hours.

Massachusetts Pharmacy Interns who desire to continue to register internship hours earned in addition to IPPE/APPE hours in order to meet greater intern hour requirements in other states, may continue to do so by submitting appropriate documentation (Forms B and C) to the Board's licensing application vendor Professional Credentialing Services (PCS) (www.pcshq.com).

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