

PHARMACY SURVEYOR

KIND OF WORK

Professional survey work involving investigation and law enforcement of establishments manufacturing, selling, or dispensing drugs.

NATURE AND PURPOSE

An employee in this class is responsible for conducting independent field surveys of pharmacy practices and for making drug law investigations.

EXAMPLES OF WORK (A position may not include all the work examples given, nor does the list include all that may be assigned.)

Makes surveys of community and hospital pharmacies to determine compliance with acceptable legal and professional standards of practice.

Inspects drug manufacturers and wholesalers to ensure drug quality and purity.

Inspects nursing homes and other health care facilities to ensure compliance with drug laws.

Conducts field audits of health care practitioners to ensure compliance with inventory, record keeping and storage requirements of the Controlled Substances Act.

Corrects minor violations of drug laws by obtaining voluntary compliance.

Participates in joint investigations with other law enforcement agencies.

Prepares written reports.

Inspects distressed drugs for evidence of adulteration or misbranding.

Interprets Practice Act and Drug Law to practitioners and public.

Collects and identifies physical evidence and reports other evidence during board hearings or court proceedings.

Inspects new pharmacies for compliance with space, equipment, security and access requirements.

Performs related work as required.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES REQUIRED

Knowledge of:

Thorough knowledge of federal and state laws and regulations relating to the practice of pharmacy and the manufacture and distribution of drugs.

Thorough knowledge of the voluntary standards for pharmaceutical services established by accrediting agencies such as the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Hospitals.

Thorough knowledge of effective professional survey methods, investigational methods and techniques and rules of evidence.

Considerable knowledge of the effect of case law upon practice standards and investigational procedures.

The pharmacy internship program.

The state's criminal justice system as it relates to drugs and the ability to work cooperatively with law enforcement personnel within the system.

Ability to:

Obtain voluntary compliance by effective and explicit interpretation and application of drug law and regulations to practice situations.

Interpret and apply drug laws and regulations with conviction, firmness, good professional judgment, and absolute impartiality while maintaining confidentiality.

Observe and report elements of surveys and investigations clearly and concisely.

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