

## MICHIGAN PHARMACIST INTERN LICENSING GUIDE

### OVERVIEW:

The pharmacist intern license type allows a licensee to engage in the practice of pharmacy only under the personal charge of a pharmacist.

*NOTE: The content contained below is a general overview of licensing requirements. Links to access the Public Health Code and Administrative Rules for this profession can be found at the end of this guide.*

### LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS CHECKLIST

(Listed below are the minimum requirements needed to obtain a pharmacist intern license.)

#### APPLICATION AND FEES

- Online Application For a Pharmacist Intern - License - Complete all fields, answer all questions, and upload any supporting documentation.
- Online application can be completed by visiting [www.michigan.gov/miplus](http://www.michigan.gov/miplus).
- Application Fee + 1-year License Fee (Must be paid by Visa, Mastercard, Discover, or American Express credit or debit card.):
  - Pharmacist Intern – \$91.80
  - Pharmacist Intern Relicensure – \$111.80

#### THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS APPLY TO ALL APPLICANTS (EXCEPT RENEWAL)

- Criminal Background Check – Once the online application is completed and submitted you will be emailed an Application Confirmation letter containing instructions to complete the Criminal Background Check (except those applicants seeking relicensure, if the license expired within the last three years).
- Good Moral Character Questions – Documentation will be required if you answer “yes” to either question to show at the current time you have the ability to, and are likely to, serve the public in a fair, honest and open manner, that you are rehabilitated, or that the substance of the former offense is not reasonably related to the occupation or profession for which you are seeking a license.
- Social Security Number (SSN) – An individual applying for licensure is required to provide his or her social security number at the time of application. If exempt under law from obtaining an SSN or do not have an SSN, the SSN affidavit form will be required to be uploaded at the time the application is submitted.

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- ❑ Human Trafficking Training – Individuals seeking licensure must have completed training in identifying victims of human trafficking that meets the standards in Administrative Rule 338.511 prior to being issued a license. The training must only be completed one time.
- ❑ Implicit Bias Training – Beginning June 1, 2022, individuals seeking licensure must have completed at least 2 hours of implicit bias training within the five years immediately preceding issuance of the license.
- ❑ Verification of Licensure – Verification of licensure must be sent directly to our office by the licensing agency of any state of the United States or country in which you hold or ever held a license. The verification must show that disciplinary proceedings are not pending against the applicant and sanctions are not in force at the time of application. Verification can be emailed to [bpldata@michigan.gov](mailto:bpldata@michigan.gov) or mailed to the Bureau of Professional Licensing, PO Box 30670, Lansing, MI 48909.
- ❑ English Language Proficiency – An individual applying for licensure must demonstrate a working knowledge of the English language. This can be established if either the applicant's required health professional educational program was taught in English, a transcript establishes the applicant earned not less than 60 college level credits from an English-speaking graduate or undergraduate school, or that the applicant obtained a passing score on an approved English proficiency exam as established by the department under [R 338.7002b](#) of the Public Health Code – General Rules.

### **ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR PHARMACIST INTERN LICENSURE (These are in addition to the requirements stated above that apply to ALL Applicants)**

- ❑ Individual is eligible for intern licensure at the beginning of the first professional year of study in an ACPE accredited college or school of pharmacy. You must hold an intern license for any of your intern hours obtained in Michigan to count toward full licensure as a pharmacist.
- ❑ Graduates of foreign pharmacy programs must apply for the intern license and must hold an intern license for any intern hours earned in Michigan in order to count the hours earned toward full licensure as a pharmacist.
- ❑ The intern license is renewable annually and shall remain active while the applicant is actively pursuing a degree in an accredited college or school of pharmacy and until the applicant is licensed as a pharmacist, or for not more than one year from the date of graduation from your pharmacy program. The intern license for a graduate of a foreign pharmacy program is valid for one year and may be renewed one time.
- ❑ If you leave the college or school of pharmacy for any reason, you must notify this office immediately. If you do not re-enter the college or school of pharmacy after a break of no more than one term or semester (whichever is applicable), you must return your intern license to this office. When you re-enter a college or school of pharmacy you may reapply for an intern license upon notification from the office of the Dean of your re-admittance.
- ❑ In order to be eligible for a full pharmacist license, you must complete at least 1,600 hours of internship experience.

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**Applicants for a pharmacist intern license who are currently enrolled, or who have graduated within the last 180 days, from a pharmacy education program accredited by the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE) must:**

- Forward the College of Pharmacy Affidavit form to their school of pharmacy to confirm current enrollment or graduation within the last 180 days. **The College of Pharmacy Affidavit must be submitted directly to this office from the school of pharmacy.**

**Applicants for a pharmacist intern license who have graduated from a foreign pharmacy program that is not accredited by the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE) must:**

- Complete the Foreign Pharmacy Graduate Examination Committee certification program (FPGEC) administered by the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy (NABP). Verification of FPGEC certification must be received directly from NABP. Visit the NABP website at <https://nabp.pharmacy> for more information.

### **ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR THOSE APPLYING FOR RELICENSURE (These are in addition to the requirements stated above that apply to ALL Applicants)**

- Online application can be completed by visiting [www.michigan.gov/miplus](http://www.michigan.gov/miplus), select **MiPLUS Login**, select **“Modification”** next to your license number and then select **“Relicensure”**.

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- Complete the Foreign Pharmacy Graduate Examination Committee certification program (FPGEC) administered by the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy (NABP). Verification of FPGEC certification must be received directly from NABP. Visit the NABP website at <https://nabp.pharmacy> for more information.

### **RENEWAL REQUIREMENTS CHECKLIST**

- Online Application For Pharmacist Intern Renewal – Can be completed by visiting [www.michigan.gov/miplus](http://www.michigan.gov/miplus).
- Renewal Application Fee (Must be paid by Visa, Mastercard, Discover, or American Express credit or debit card.):  
  
Pharmacist Intern Renewal Application Fee: \$15.30
- Renewal Cycle: Annual

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- Good Moral Character Questions – Documentation will be required if you answer “yes” to either question to show at the current time you have the ability to, and are likely to, serve the public in a fair, honest and open manner, that you are rehabilitated, or that the substance of the former offense is not reasonably related to the occupation or profession for which you are seeking license renewal.
- Disciplinary Question – Documentation will be required if you answer “yes” to having sanctions imposed against you by a similar licensure, registration, certification, or disciplinary board of another state or country you have not previously reported to the department.
- Accept Renewal Attestation – By accepting the renewal attestation you as the licensee are certifying that you have met all the Pharmacist Intern renewal requirements and all information provided on your renewal application is true and correct.
- Implicit Bias Training – Beginning June 1, 2022, and all renewals thereafter, licensees seeking renewal must have completed a minimum of 1 hour of implicit bias training for each year of the applicant’s license cycle. For the first renewal on or after June 1, 2022, licensees will only need to have 1 hour for each year since the rule’s promulgation date of June 1, 2021.
- A renewal applicant for a pharmacist intern license who is currently enrolled, or who has graduated within the last 180 days, from a pharmacy education program accredited by the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE) must forward the College of Pharmacy Affidavit form to their school of pharmacy to confirm current enrollment or graduation within the last 180 days. The College of Pharmacy Affidavit must be submitted directly to this office from the school of pharmacy prior to the end of the renewal period.
- A renewal applicant for a pharmacist intern license who has graduated from a foreign pharmacy program that is not accredited by the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE) must arrange for the Internship Training Affidavit form to be submitted directly to this office by their supervising pharmacist Preceptor prior to the end of the renewal period. An applicant in this situation may only renew his or her pharmacist intern license one time.

## HELPFUL RESOURCES AND FORMS

- By visiting [www.michigan.gov/healthlicense](http://www.michigan.gov/healthlicense) and clicking on the pharmacy link you can access the following helpful resources and forms:
  - Resources:
    - [Michigan Public Health Code](#)
    - [Administrative Rules for Pharmacy](#)