

WAC 246-901-035 Pharmacy technician specialized functions. A pharmacy technician who meets established criteria for employment, experience, training and demonstrated proficiency may perform specialized functions. The criteria shall be specified in the utilization plan of the pharmacy for pharmacy technicians performing specialized functions required in WAC 246-901-100 (2)(b). Records of pharmacy technician training and of demonstration of proficiency shall be retrievable within seventy-two hours upon request of the board. Specialized functions include the following:

(1) Unit-dose medication checking. Following verification of the drug order by a licensed pharmacist, a pharmacy technician may check unit-dose medication cassettes filled by another pharmacy technician or pharmacy intern in pharmacies serving facilities licensed under chapter 70.41, 71.12, 71A.20 or 74.42 RCW. No more than a forty-eight hour supply of drugs may be included in the patient medication cassettes and a licensed health professional must check the drug before administering it to the patient.

(2) Intravenous admixture and other parenteral preparations. A pharmacy technician may prepare intravenous admixtures and other parenteral drugs. A licensed pharmacist must check each parenteral drug prepared by a pharmacy technician.

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