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Requesting Your Assistance with PBM-Pharmacy Problems during COVID-19

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The Board of Pharmacy's (Board's) powers and duties are restricted to those outlined in the Pharmacy Act. You are most likely aware that the Board has no oversight of PBM's and insurance providers. The Pharmacy Act already authorizes pharmacists who hold a valid authorization to administer injectables the ability to administer injectable medications, biologicals and immunizations. With regard to the Governor's Emergency Declaration, the Board serves in only an advisory capacity. When the Governor issues any new information concerning the practice of pharmacy, it will be posted on the Board's web site at www.dos.pa.gov/pharm. Please keep in mind that the federal Centers for Disease Control and the PA Department of Health oversee infectious disease control. Both agencies have issued guidance to businesses and healthcare workers regarding the coronavirus pandemic; information is available on these agencies' web sites. With regard to your concerns/requests, I will forward the information to the appropriate Board Members for consideration. However, given the nature of your requests, it may be more appropriate for other agencies to address them.

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