This Act creates the professional classification of clinical pharmacist practitioner. The Act specifies that only a pharmacist certified by the state pharmacy board may legally be identified as a clinical pharmacist practitioner.

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Suggested State Legislation

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Section 1. [Short Title.] This Act shall be cited as “An Act Creating the Professional Classification of Clinical Pharmacist Practitioner.”

Section 2. [Clinical Pharmacist Practitioner Qualifications.] (A) A clinical pharmacist practitioner is a licensed pharmacist in good standing who:

(1) is certified by the [state pharmacy board], in concurrence with the [state board of medical examiners], to provide drug therapy management as defined under [insert citation], including initiating, modifying, or discontinuing therapies, identifying and managing drug-related problems, or ordering tests under the direction or supervision of a prescriber;

(2) has additional education, experience, or certification as required by the [state pharmacy board] in concurrence with the [board of medical examiners]; and

(3) has in place a Collaborative Pharmacy Practice Agreement.

(B) A “Collaborative Pharmacy Practice Agreement” means a written and signed agreement between one or more pharmacists and one or more prescribers that provides for collaborative pharmacy practice for the purpose of drug therapy management of patients. “Collaborative Pharmacy Practice” means the practice of pharmacy by a pharmacist who has agreed to work in conjunction with one or more prescribers, on a voluntary basis and under protocol, and who may perform certain patient care functions under certain specified conditions or limitations authorized by the prescriber.

(C) Only a pharmacist certified by the [state pharmacy board] may legally be identified as a clinical pharmacist practitioner.

(D) The [state pharmacy board] in concurrence with the [board of medical examiners], shall define the additional education, experience, or certification required of a licensed pharmacist to become a certified clinical pharmacist practitioner.

Section 3. [Severability.] [Insert severability clause.]

Section 4. [Repealer.] [Insert repealer clause.]

Section 5. [Effective Date.] [Insert effective date.]