

## **Pharmacy Closing**

Any and all pharmacies licensed in Connecticut with intent to close temporarily or permanently must provide the Commission of Pharmacy with notice of this intent thirty days prior to closing. Those pharmacies with controlled substance stock must also provide the same notification to the Drug Control Division and Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) thirty days prior to closing.

On the day of the temporary or permanent closing, the closed pharmacy must immediately make their prescription records available to a nearby pharmacy and post notice of this availability on the closed pharmacy's window or door. Those pharmacies with controlled substance stock must also take a physical inventory of all controlled substance stock on hand.

1. Schedule II controlled substance stock must be transferred using the purchasing DEA registrant's DEA 222 forms.
2. All controlled substance stock must be transferred in a secure manner so as to minimize any losses.
3. Unwanted controlled substance stock may be:
  - a. returned to the vendor.
  - b. transferred to a reverse distributor.
  - c. surrendered to the Drug Control Division or Drug Enforcement Administration for proper disposal and/or destruction.

Representatives for the closed pharmacy must make the following records available to the Drug Control Division:

1. unused DEA 222 forms
2. current DEA registration
3. current pharmacy license
4. final controlled substance inventory
5. green copy of the DEA 222 form used to transfer Schedule II controlled substance stock

Representatives for the closed pharmacy must maintain the following records in an accessible manner for a period of three years following the closing date:

1. controlled substance receipt records (i.e. completed DEA 222 forms, invoices, log books)
2. controlled substance disposition records (i.e. drug destructions, prescriptions, Schedule III-V refill logs, vendor returns)