

RESOLUTION 2001/2

AN ELABORATION ON THE "PRACTICE OF PHARMACY"

WHEREAS: The responsibility of the Arizona State Board of Pharmacy is to protect the public health and safety through the regulation of the practice of pharmacy; the manufacture, distribution and storage of prescription and non-prescription drugs and,

WHEREAS: The 'practice of pharmacy' and the provision of 'pharmaceutical care' is a dynamic and evolving process and,

WHEREAS: 'Pharmacy practice' is defined to include activities and processes other than the distribution of medication, and

WHEREAS: These non-distributive pharmacy practice activities and processes include the following: participation in drug selection and drug utilization reviews, drug formulary management, advising clients of the content, hazards and therapeutic use of prescription and non-prescription drugs and,

WHEREAS: The Board of Pharmacy may approve colleges and schools of pharmacy and may educate and inform the profession and the public as to the optimum and adverse outcomes of prescription and non-prescription drug therapy therefore;

BE IT RESOLVED: That the Arizona State Board of Pharmacy unanimously adopts the position: *That, in addition to the traditional, distributive role, persons holding a first professional degree in pharmacy that are engaged in a non-distributive or pharmacy education capacity in this state are considered to be....practicing pharmacy* and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That graduate pharmacists so engaged, are advised to pursue licensure by the Arizona State Board of Pharmacy, to be in compliance with the requirements of licensure elaborated in the pharmacy practice act and the administrative rules.