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Title 22@ Social Security

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Division 5@ Licensing and Certification of Health Facilities, Home Health Agencies, Clinics, and Referral Agencies

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Chapter 4@ Intermediate Care Facilities

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Article 3@ Services

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Section 73369@ Pharmaceutical Service-Disposal of Drugs

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(a)

Drugs may be sent with the patient upon discharge if so ordered by the discharging physician. Such drugs shall be dispensed in compliance with the California Pharmacy Laws and Regulations. A record of the drugs sent with the patient shall be made in the patient's health record.

(b)

Discontinued individual patient's drugs supplied by prescription or those which remain in the facility after discharge shall be destroyed by the facility in the following manner: (1) Drugs listed in Schedules II, III or IV of the Federal Comprehensive Drug Abuse Prevention and Control Act of 1970 shall be destroyed by the facility in the presence of a pharmacist and a registered nurse employed by the facility. The name of the patient, the name and strength of the drug, the prescription number, the amount destroyed, the date of destruction and the signatures of the witnesses required above shall be recorded in the patient's health record or in a separate log. Such log shall be retained for at least three years. (2) Drugs not listed under Schedules II, III or IV of the Federal Comprehensive Drug Abuse Prevention and Control Act of 1970 shall be destroyed by the facility in the presence of a pharmacist or registered nurse. The name of the patient, the name and strength of the drug, the prescription number, if applicable, the amount destroyed, the date of destruction and the signatures of two witnesses shall be

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(c)

Unless otherwise prohibited under applicable federal or state laws, individual patient drugs supplied in sealed containers may be returned, if unopened, to the issuing pharmacy for disposition provided that: (1) No drugs covered under the Federal Comprehensive Drug Abuse Prevention and Control Act of 1970 are returned. (2) All such drugs are identified as to lot or control number. (3) The signatures of the receiving pharmacist and a registered nurse employed by the facility are recorded in a separate log which lists the name of the patient, the name, strength, prescription number (if applicable), the amount returned of the

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