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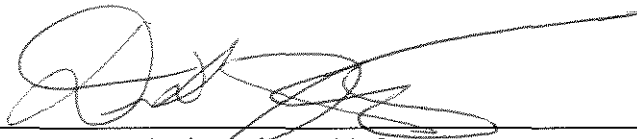
All donations of free pharmaceuticals (prescription and non-prescription drugs) to the College of Veterinary Medicine, Mississippi State University, shall first be approved by the Chief of Pharmacy Services and shall be distributed through the Animal Health Center Pharmacy. Donated pharmaceuticals are an important source of revenue to the College through appropriate and legal sale to clients of the teaching hospital; therefore, only those products without restrictions for resale shall be accepted, unless they are donated for a specific approved research or teaching project.

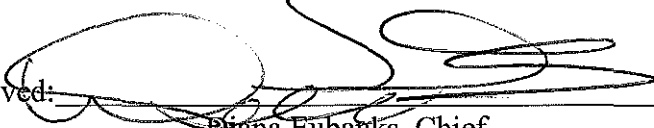
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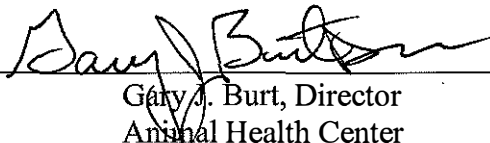
- Pharmaceutical companies are encouraged to sponsor educational programs for CVM students. Donated products (prescription and non-prescription) may be offered by the company to students who attend the educational programs. When these products are offered, the following CVM policies apply:
- An annual meeting will be scheduled with company student representatives to discuss CVM policies related to educational programming for students. The AHC Hospital Director, Chief of Pharmacy Services, and Community Veterinary Services Chief will conduct the meeting. It will be the responsibility of company student representatives to communicate CVM policies to their respective companies and to CVM students attending the programs.
- The Animal Health Center Pharmacy and Community Veterinary Services must be notified by a representative of the company (either student representative or company employee) when and where the program will take place. All details for donated product shipment, the procedure for obtaining prescriptions, and the specifics for picking up the donated products will be decided at this time so that information can be given to the students attending the program at the time the program occurs. Following the program, a list of the attendees and pets eligible for the donated products will be provided to the AHC pharmacy.
- All over-the-counter donated products shall be distributed by representatives of the company at the close of the program only to those students who attend the program.
- The dispensing of all prescription products resulting from such a program shall be through the Animal Health Center Pharmacy and must comply with all applicable state and federal laws. No prescription drug shall be prescribed outside the context of a valid veterinarian/client/patient relationship nor dispensed without a properly attached label bearing the name and address of the pharmacy, a prescription number, the name of the prescriber, the

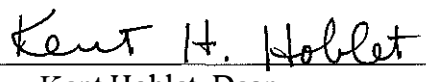
name of the patient, directions for administering the medication, the date, the initials of the dispensing pharmacist, and any other information that is necessary or required. A dispensing fee shall be determined by the pharmacist prior to the program and announced at the program. This fee is normally the current minimum outpatient charge for a prescription drug. The fee may be paid either by the student receiving the prescription or by the company donating the product.

- Pets eligible for prescriptions are limited to patients of the Animal Health Center through Community Veterinary Services. Prescriptions will be issued only in the context of a valid veterinarian/client/patient relationship by a CVS clinician and must comply with all federal and state laws and current veterinary practice guidelines. Each prescription will be entered in the college computer system by a clinician from CVS (or designee) under a specific prescription description set up by the pharmacy for that specific program.
- The sponsoring company will determine the maximum number of pets per student eligible for free product. All heartworm preventative medications will be issued for a 12 month supply. Note: A single pet is eligible for only ONE heartworm preventative prescription medication under the educational program policy within the twelve month period. Obtaining more than one product or more than one year's supply for a single pet is prohibited under the program policy.

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