

March 24, 2021

**RESCISSION OF VHA DIRECTIVE 1087 MONITORING OF EXPIRED OR SOON-TO-EXPIRE MEDICATION RETURNS**

1. By direction of the Office of the Under Secretary for Health, Veterans Health Administration (VHA), VHA Directive 1087 Monitoring of Expired or Soon-To-Expire Medication Returns, dated August 21, 2019, is rescinded.
2. This VHA directive outlines standards for Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) health care personnel to control and monitor non-controlled and controlled substance medications held for return and associated credits. Only the responsibilities under the VA medical facility Chief of Pharmacy, Pharmacy Manager or Consolidated Mail Outpatient Pharmacy Director is being preserved.
3. Information regarding the responsibilities of the VA medical facility Chief of Pharmacy, Pharmacy Manager or Consolidated Mail Outpatient Pharmacy Director regarding the monitoring, reviewing, and processing of proper disposal of expired or soon-to-be expired drug products can be found in VHA Directive 1108.07(1), Pharmacy General Requirements, dated March 10, 2017.
4. All inquiries concerning this action should be addressed to the Office of Patient Care Services, Pharmacy Benefits Management Services (12PBM) at [202-461-7360](tel:202-461-7360).
5. This VHA notice will expire and be archived on March 31, 2022. However, the rescission information will remain in effect.

**BY DIRECTION OF THE OFFICE OF THE  
UNDER SECRETARY FOR HEALTH:**

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