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The Health Professions Bureau of the Idaho Division of Occupational and Professional Licenses has received reports of health professionals violating the law in a way that directly impacts public safety.

Videos have surfaced of health professionals filling multiple syringes of non-patient-specific compounded drug products, most commonly for weight loss treatments, and then sending those syringes to patients. Reports indicate that this is a growing practice in the state.

It is also illegal.

Compounded drug products are legend drugs. Sending these compounded drug products to patients for self-administration constitutes dispensing of a legend drug. While several license types allow their professionals to directly administer a compounded drug product to a patient, the dispensing of these compounded drug products is the practice of pharmacy.

Those persons or entities wishing to continue to dispense these compounded drug products to their patients, rather than directly administer them to patients, must register with the Idaho Board of Pharmacy as prescription drug outlets and comply with all applicable laws and regulations regarding compounded drug products and the dispensing of legend drugs.

Respectfully,

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