The Washington State Pharmacy Quality Assurance Commission encourages the exploration of careers in the pharmacy profession. In order to promote an interest in pharmacy careers, the Commission will allow students to job shadow in the pharmacy without registering as pharmacy assistants. Students participating in job shadowing programs must meet the following conditions:

1. Be affiliated with an organized educational program.

2. May not perform any functions reserved for licensed, certified, or registered pharmacy personnel.

3. Be present in the pharmacy for a limited amount of time not to exceed 3 working days.

The Commission recommends that students sign a confidentiality statement. If the job shadowing program goes beyond these guidelines, the student will need to register as a pharmacy assistant.