



## Government of the District of Columbia

### Department of Health



## Pharmaceutical Detailer Exemption FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Pharmaceutical Detailers are encouraged to read Act 21-148, Fiscal Year 2016 Budget Support Act of 2015 Section 5031 of the Act specifically addresses the Pharmaceutical Detailer's Exemption  
<http://www.dcregs.dc.gov/Gateway/NoticeHome.aspx?NoticeID=5619906>

**1. If I detail in the District of Columbia less than thirty (30) consecutive days per calendar year, am I required to have a license?**

Persons who are unsure whether this provision covers them, may wish to obtain the license to ensure that they are practicing legally in the District. The law allows individuals, such as speakers at a conference, who come to the District once a year, or other persons that come once a year for a short duration of time of less than 30 consecutive days. This provision does not allow someone who comes to the District for a few days a month to avoid licensure, if the person will return to the District again within the same calendar year.

**2. What does thirty (30) consecutive days mean for me?**

If a detailer starts detailing in the District on January 1<sup>st</sup>, whether or not he or she practices every day, after January 31<sup>st</sup>, he would either need to cease detailing in the District or obtain a license.

**3. Who is the exemption intended for?**

The exemption is intended for persons who come to the District once a year, such as for a conference or a speaking engagement. It is not intended for persons who are assigned to this area and who regularly and frequently engage in pharmaceutical detailing in the District of Columbia.

**4. Where can I obtain information regarding the exemption?**

The Fiscal Year 2016 Budget Support Act of 2015 Section 5031 of the Act is currently posted on the D.C. municipal Regulations and D.C. Register website.

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