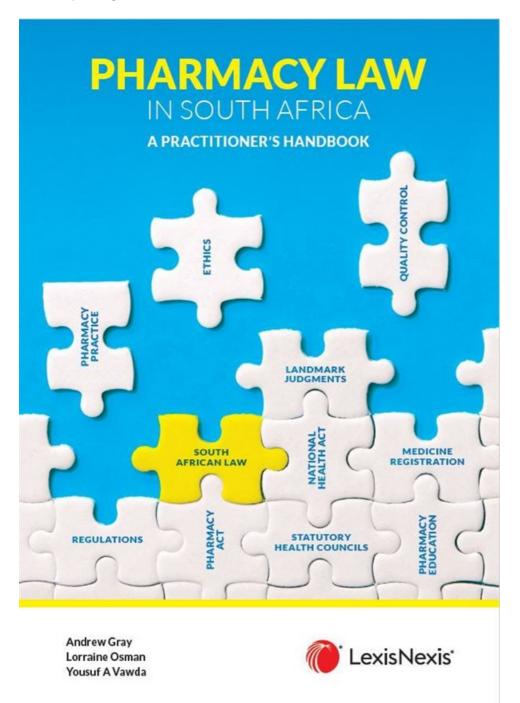


New title provides pharmacists and students with an indepth understanding of pharmacy law

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In addition to studying and understanding the nature and effect of drugs, their action, contraindication and performance, it is also necessary for pharmacists and pharmacy students to have a comprehensive understanding of the law as it applies to the dispensing of medicines.



Pharmacy Law in South Africa (A Practitioner's Handbook) meets a need in the pharmacological field for a title that educates on the legal and ethical requirements of pharmacists. Written by Andrew Gray (BPharm MSc (Pharm) FPS FFIP), Lorraine Osman (DipPharm FPS) and Yousuf A Vawda (BA BProc LLM LLD), the handbook fills a critical gap in the market, combining chapters contributed by authors with diverse and substantial experience from a range of practice

environments.

"We are not aware of any other title in South Africa that provides an explanation of the logic, construct and application of pharmacy law the way this title is able to," says co-author Lorraine Osman. "This handbook will be useful to pharmacists, pharmacist interns, pharmacy support personnel and pharmacy students by providing them with an in-depth overview of important legislation. This is essential because pharmacy professionals, who usually don't have a legal background, must understand and comply with complex legislative requirements."

As a textbook, Pharmacy Law in South Africa provides a rich source of materials, including real-world application in the form of jurisprudence. The title will be invaluable to lecturers in Pharmacy Law, Ethics and Pharmacy practice, as well as to their students, ensuring that they have access to resources that are currently inaccessible, except through highly variable and oftentimes erroneous individual experience.

Pharmacy Law in South Africa (A Practitioner's Handbook) will be available from November 2019 in Print format (ISBN 9780639005256) for R563.50 including VAT and excluding delivery, eBook format (ISBN 9780639009230) for R563.50 including VAT and online format (ISBN 9780639005386) for R507.15 including VAT. To purchase, visit the <u>LexisNexis</u> online bookstore.

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