



URAC's Specialty Pharmacy Accreditation Comparison Table

URAC is the nation's leading pharmacy quality organization and the leading accreditor of specialty pharmacies in the country. URAC's Specialty Pharmacy Accreditation provides a comprehensive, independent assessment of a pharmacy's ability to consistently provide high quality care to patients receiving medications that require special handling and/or administration, a high degree of monitoring, and more clinical support than conventional therapies. URAC's Specialty Pharmacy Accreditation is the industry's leading indicator of a pharmacy's ability to manage patients with complex chronic diseases.

Pharmacies, stakeholders, and policymakers often inquire about the intersection between URAC's Specialty Pharmacy Accreditation, the role of state boards of pharmacy, and the accreditation most hospitals achieve.

The table below shows major areas of URAC's Specialty Pharmacy Accreditation compared to the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy (NABP) Model Act on the practice of pharmacy and the general requirements of pharmacy services for hospital accreditation.

	URAC	NABP Model Act	Hospital (Inpatient) Accreditation - Pharmacy Standards
Define Specialty Drug	✓		
Define Specialty Pharmacy	✓		
Onsite Audit	✓	✓	✓
Interactive Demonstration of Compliance	✓		
Staff Qualifications	✓	✓	✓
Clinical Staff Qualifications and Oversight of Specialty Drug Management	✓		
Drug Utilization Review	✓	✓	✓
Specialty Drug Management	✓		
Medication Storage, Dispensing and Disposal	✓	✓	✓
Adverse Event and Medication Error Management	✓	✓	✓
Cold Chain Management	✓		
Patient Education	✓	✓	✓
Medication Adherence Management	✓		
Ongoing Clinical Reassessments for Chronic Specialty Patients	✓		
Outcomes Reporting	✓		