

## VAWD ACCREDITATION REQUIREMENT INSTRUCTIONS

### Manufacturer / (Reverse) Distributors / Warehouses / Third-Party Logistics Providers Licenses

**These instructions apply to the VAWD accreditation only. Please see INSTRUCTIONS FOR ANNUAL WHOLESALE DRUG Manufacturer/(Reverse)Distributors/Warehouse/Third-Party Logistics Provider Licenses for all other application instructions.**

#### North Dakota Century Code 43-15.3-01. Definitions.

23. "Third-party logistics provider" means a person that contracts with a wholesale distributor or a prescription drug, medical gas, or medical equipment manufacturer to provide or coordinate warehousing, wholesale distribution, or other services on behalf of a manufacturer, but does not take title to the prescription drug, medical gas, or medical equipment or have general responsibility to direct the prescription drug's, medical gas's, or medical equipment's sale or disposition. The third-party logistics provider must be licensed independently under this chapter and to be considered part of the normal distribution channel must also be an authorized distributor of record.
29. "Wholesale distributor" means anyone engaged in the wholesale distribution of prescription drugs, medical gases, or medical equipment, including, manufacturers; virtual manufacturers; repackagers; own-label distributors; private-label distributors; jobbers; brokers; virtual distributors and warehouses, including manufacturers' and distributors' warehouses; manufacturer's exclusive distributors; authorized distributors of record; drug, gas, or equipment wholesalers or distributors; independent wholesale drug, gas, or equipment traders; specialty wholesale distributors; retail pharmacies that conduct wholesale distribution; and chain pharmacy warehouses that conduct wholesale distribution. To be considered part of the normal distribution channel, such wholesale distribution must also be an authorized distributor of record.

**The following chart identifies which "Wholesale Distributors" must provide evidence of VAWD accreditation in order to obtain a North Dakota Manufacturer / (Reverse) Distributors / Warehouses / Third-Party Logistics Provider License.**

Type of Wholesaler	Need to be VAWD accredited?
Chain drug warehouses	Yes
Common carrier or one hired solely to transport prescription drugs	No
Distributor of non-prescription medications	No
Durable Medical Equipment (DME) Distributors	No
Independent Wholesale Drug Warehouses	Yes
Jobbers/Brokers	Yes – if take physical possession of the product
Manufacturers	No – if FDA approved Yes – if not FDA approved
Medical gas distributors	No
Outsourcing Facility	Yes
Own label distributors	No
Private label distributors	Yes
Repackagers	Yes
Reverse distributors	Yes
Third-party logistics providers	Yes
Veterinary supply company (animal only medications)	No
Virtual Manufacturers	No
Virtual Wholesalers or Distributors	Yes
Wholesale distributors of legend drugs	Yes

All "Wholesale Distributors" and "Third-Party Logistics Providers" who need VAWD accreditation should provide proof of VAWD Accreditation with their Application. Please remember that VAWD accreditation is company and location specific. If VAWD Accreditation is "Pending" proof can be provided of this status.

VAWD Accreditation information is available from: [vawd@nabp.pharmacy](mailto:vawd@nabp.pharmacy)

All questions about **V**erified **A**ccredited **W**holesale **D**istributor (VAWD) should refer to [www.nabp.pharmacy](http://www.nabp.pharmacy) where all of the VAWD Accreditation information and Application forms are available.