

Dear Dr. Murphy,

In response to the question: Is a VCPR needed for a veterinarian to write a VFD? The short answer is that this is not cited as a requirement in the Rhode Island General Laws. We have researched the following sections of RI Law in coming to this conclusion:

Section 1.11 of the Rules and Regulations for the Licensure of Veterinarians (R5-25-VET) defines VCPR but not that a VCPR is needed for a VFD.

Section 5-25-7 of the statute Chapter 5-25 titled Veterinary Practice does not mention VFD.

Sincerely,

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