

AGENDA

CONNECTICUT BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE

Thursday, October 13, 2022 at 8:30 am
Department of Public Health
410 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut

CALL TO ORDER

I. Office of Legal Compliance

- A. Tara L. Bisesti, DVM - Petition No. 2022-900
Presentation of Motion for Summary Suspension – Linda Fazzina, Staff Attorney, DPH

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SUMMARY SUSPENSION COVER SHEET

In re: Tara L. Bisesti, DVM

Petition No. 2022-900

1. Tara L. Bisesti of Lyme, Connecticut (“respondent”) was issued license number 004082 to practice veterinary medicine on June 17, 2015.
2. On June 1, 2022, the Connecticut Board of Veterinary Medicine (“the Board”) ordered a Consent Order in Petition No. 2021-119 (“the Consent Order”) based, in part, upon respondent’s admitted abuse or excess use of alcohol, in or about August 2019. The Consent Order placed respondent’s license on probation for four (4) years and required her, in part, to refrain from the ingestion of alcohol in any form and to submit to random urine drug screens which must be negative for the presence of drugs and alcohol.
3. Respondent violated the terms of the Consent Order in that she, without limitation, tested positive for alcohol on or about August 30, 2022.
4. On or about August 30, 2022, respondent abused or utilized alcohol to excess, and such abuse, or excess use, of alcohol does and/or may affect her practice as a veterinarian.
5. For the foregoing reasons, the Department believes that respondent’s continued practice as a veterinarian represents a clear and immediate danger to the public health and safety.
6. The Department respectfully requests the Board to summarily suspend respondent’s veterinarian license until a full hearing on the merits can be held.

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**STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
HEALTHCARE QUALITY AND SAFETY BRANCH**

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MOTION FOR SUMMARY SUSPENSION

The Department of Public Health ("the Department") moves, in accordance with Connecticut General Statutes §§4-182(c) and 19a-17(c), the Connecticut Board of Veterinary Medicine to summarily suspend Tara L. Bisesti's license to practice veterinary medicine in Connecticut. This motion is based on the attached Statement of Charges, documents, affidavit and belief that the continued practice of Tara L. Bisesti represents a clear and immediate danger to the public health and safety.

Dated at Hartford, Connecticut this 20th day of September, 2022.



Christian D. Andresen, MPH, CPH, Section Chief
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STATEMENT OF CHARGES

Pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §§19a-10 and 19a-14, the Department of Public Health ("the Department") brings the following charges against Tara L. Bisesti:

1. Tara L. Bisesti of Lyme, Connecticut ("respondent") is, and has been at all times referenced in this Statement of Charges, the holder of Connecticut license number 004082 to practice veterinary medicine.
2. On June 1, 2022, the Connecticut Board of Veterinary Medicine ("the Board") ordered a Consent Order in Petition Number 2021-119 ("the Consent Order") that placed respondent's license to practice veterinary medicine on probation for a period of four (4) years. Such disciplinary action was based, in part, upon respondent's admitted abuse or excess use of alcohol, in or about August 2019.
3. The Consent Order specifically provided that respondent refrain from the ingestion of alcohol in any form and that she submit to random urine drug screens which must be negative for the presence of drugs and alcohol.
4. On or about August 30, 2022, respondent tested positive for alcohol.
5. On or about August 30, 2022, respondent abused and/or utilized to excess alcohol.
6. Respondent's abuse of alcohol does, and/or may, affect her practice of veterinary medicine.
7. Respondent's conduct as described above constitutes violations of the terms of probation in the Consent Order and subjects respondent's license to revocation or other disciplinary action authorized by Connecticut General Statutes §§19a-17 and 20-202, including, but not limited to §20-202 (11).

THEREFORE, the Department prays that:

The Board, as authorized by Connecticut General Statutes §§20-202 and 19a-17, revoke or order other disciplinary action against the license of Tara L. Bisesti as it deems appropriate and consistent with law.

Dated at Hartford, Connecticut this 20th day of September, 2022.



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