## STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER PROTECTION COMMISSION OF PHARMACY January 27, 2021

- 10:00 a.m. The regular meeting of the Commission of Pharmacy was called to order by Commissioner DeFazio. The meeting was held virtually on Zoom.
- Commissioners Present: Angelo DeFazio, Chairperson Bryan Cafferelli Debbie Chisolm Mary Inguanti Kristin Linder

Staff Present: Heather Hoynes, Board Administrator

## New Pharmacy Application(s)

Bristol Health Pharmacy LLC 41 Brewster Rd. Bristol, CT 06010 Nirva Modi, Pharmacy Manager

> **Commission Action:** Commissioner Chisolm moved, seconded by Commissioner Cafferelli and passed by a vote of 5-0 to approve the above request for a new pharmacy premise provided all the requirements set forth in the Connecticut Pharmacy and Drug Laws as enforced by the Commission of Pharmacy are met.

Hamden Pharmacy Inc.

2348 Whitney Ave.

Hamden, CT 06518

Vishal Desai, Pharmacy Manager

**Commission Action:** Commissioner Chisolm moved, seconded by Commissioner Inguanti and passed by a vote of 5-0 to approve the above request for a new pharmacy premise provided all the requirements set forth in the Connecticut Pharmacy and Drug Laws as enforced by the Commission of Pharmacy are met.

Advantage Health Pharmacy LLC

106 Sebethe Dr. Ste A

Cromwell, CT 06416

Alex May, Pharmacy Manager

Commission Action: The above pharmacy was tabled until the March meeting.

## Pharmacy Relocation(s)

HHC Community Pharmacy <u>From:</u> 85 Seymour St. Suite 117 Hartford, CT 06106 Price on Nickels, Discussion of the second secon

<u>To:</u> 85 Seymour St. Suite 105 Hartford, CT 06106

Brianne Nichols, Pharmacy Manager

**Commission Action:** Commissioner Linder recused herself. Commissioner Chisolm moved, seconded by Commissioner Inguanti and passed by a vote of 4-0 to approve the above relocation request provided all the requirements set forth in the Connecticut Pharmacy and Drug Laws as enforced by the Commission of Pharmacy are met.

| Arrow Prescription Center #15 |                      |
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| From:                         | To:                  |
| 263 Farmington Ave.           | 1051 Farmington Ave. |
| Farmington, CT                | Farmington, CT       |
| 06030                         | 06032                |
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Jill St. Germain, Pharmacy Manager

**Commission Action:** Commissioner DeFazio recused himself. Commissioner Chisolm moved, seconded by Commissioner Linder and passed by a vote of 4-0 to approve the above relocation request provided all the requirements set forth in the Connecticut Pharmacy and Drug Laws as enforced by the Commission of Pharmacy are met.

## Pharmacy Remodel(s)

Nutmeg Pharmacy 33 Main Street Centerbrook, CT 06409 **Commission Action: The above pharmacy did not show and was tabled** 

until the March meeting.

Brookfield Medical Surgical Supply 60 Old New Milford Rd. Suite 1B Brookfield, CT 06804

> **Commission Action:** Commissioner Chisolm moved, seconded by Commissioner Linder and passed by a vote of 5-0 to approve the above pharmacy remodel plans provided all the requirements set forth in the Connecticut Pharmacy and Drug Laws as enforced by the Commission of Pharmacy are met. Needs to be approved for 797 by Drug Control.

## Legal Matters

Case Number 2019-1213

Attorney Lila McKinley presented this case. Commissioner Cafferelli 'stepped down'. This case involved the Licensee is a pharmacy manager that was cited for several compliance violations during an inspection. Those compliance violations include such things as the failure to ensure that pharmacy technicians were wearing nametags, the failure to appropriately document pharmacy technician training, the failure to work within the appropriate ratio of pharmacists to pharmacy technicians, and failure to keep the pharmacy in a clean, orderly and sanitary condition. The Licensee entered into a settlement agreement for similar violations in 2018. Drug Control Agents approve of the proposed resolution.

Proposed Resolution: The proposed Settlement Agreement includes a civil penalty of \$2,500.00, a two-year probationary term, a Letter of Reprimand and completion of the Connecticut Pharmacist Association's Law Quality Assurance CLE. If the individual commits similar compliance violations during the two -year probationary period, the individual must step down as a pharmacy manager.

**Commission Action:** Commissioner Inguanti moved, seconded by Commissioner DeFazio and passed by a vote of 4-0 to accept and approve the aforementioned settlement agreement.

#### Miscellaneous Matters

Drug Control Director Rodrick Marriott talked about the proposed new regulations on shared pharmacy services and central fill pharmacies.

Drug Control Director Rodrick Marriott read the statement from Judge Shea about the ruling on Carl Mancini.

## Request(s) for Non-Resident Pharmacy Approval

Allivet – Fishers, IN Carepharm Pharmacy – Houston, TX Cary Rx Incorporated – Washington D.C. CMC Rx Medical Center Plaza – Charlotte, NC Epharma Direct LLC – Hixson, TN Health Haven Pharmacy – Nashua, NH Riddle Drugs – Oliver Springs, TN Script Pharmacy LLC – Chesterfield. MO Star Care Pharmacy – Jamaica, NY St. Joseph's McAuley Pharmacy – Phoenix, AZ

**Commission Action:** Commissioner DeFazio moved, seconded by Commissioner Chisolm and passed by a vote of 5-0 to accept the above non-resident pharmacy applications.

Amerita – Hudson, MA

Clark's Pharmacy RX – Carefree, AZ

Excel Pharmacy Services LLC - Conshohocken, PA

Humana Pharmacy Inc - Tampa, FL

Lakeside Pharmacy – Lake Havasu, AZ

MedMinder Pharmacy – Brooklyn, NY

Optum Infusion Services 305 LLC – Havertown, PA

**Commission Action:** Commissioner Inguanti is requesting additional documents for the above non-resident pharmacy applications for further review.

# Approval to Accept Commission of Pharmacy Meeting Minute(s)

January 27, 2021

**Commission Action:** Commissioner Cafferelli moved, seconded by Commissioner Chisolm and passed by a vote of 5-0 to accept the above Commission of Pharmacy Meeting Minutes.

There being no further business, Commissioner DeFazio adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Angelo DeFazio\_

Angelo DeFazio, Chairperson

Prepared by,

<u>Heather Hoynes</u>

Heather Hoynes, Board Administrator