# Commission of Pharmacy Meeting Minutes WEDNESDAY, October 27, 2010

Commissioners and staff present:

Steve Beaudin deLinda Brown-Jagne, Board Administrator
Jim Cangelosi Steve Schwane, DCP Legal Counsel

Edith Goodmaster Mary Inguanti William Summa, Chair Fred Vegliante

## Others present:

Jeff D'AlessandroRocco AngiolelliRose Mary CoyleLauren DandeneauCristina DavisSomeswarra Rao Dokku

Prajakta Dravid Terry Forrest
Marian Ghaly Fallon Henkel
Suneetha Jakka Robert Jansing

Ron Kaufmann Troy Ruff
Paula Steere Elizabeth Tallis
Li Hua Tan Kailly Thull
Peter Tyczkowski Jonah Tyler

Rachna Vyas

Meeting Called to Order 165 Capitol Avenue, Room 126

Hartford, Connecticut

#### Interview of Reciprocity Candidates

Chairman Summa provided an overview of the telephone interview including the reasons why the following questions are asked during the interview process. The questions are asked of potential licensees in order to ensure proper communication skills since the pharmacist will need to interact with patients and community members, as well as give the pharmacist an opportunity to explain his or her past experiences and disciplinary action, if any.

The questions asked by the Commission are:

- 1. Have you ever been before a Board?
- 2. Have you ever had a problem with drugs or alcohol?
- 3. What is Connecticut's CE requirement?
- 4. What is the pharmacy technician ratio for Connecticut?
- 5. Why are you seeking licensure in Connecticut?

\*Joseph Brogenski Township, PA

Rose Coyle Mystic, CT

Marian Ghaly Cheshire, CT

Fallon Henkel Branford, CT

Paula Steere Madison, CT

Commission action: A motion was made by Commissioner Vegliante, seconded by Commissioner Goodmaster and a vote of 6-0 was passed approving the above applicants for licensure by reciprocity.

# First Time Managers

Cristina Davis

Commissioner Summa summarized the responsibilities of a first-time pharmacy manager and the reason for their appearance before the Commission. Commissioner Summa also emphasized the importance of the pharmacy manager's role as opposed to the front-store manager (in many retail settings).

Commissioner Inguanti provided first-time managers with a brief overview of reporting errors and the MedWatch program.

Appearing before the Commission as first-time managers are:

Lauren Dandeneau CVS/pharmacy #8249 PCT.11354 Putnam

CVS/pharmacy #2388 PCT.10353 Waterbury

Elizabeth Tallis Drug Shoppe Health Sol.

PCT.11778 Enfield

Li-Hua Tan CVS/pharmacy #1149

PCT.11568 Norwalk

<sup>\*</sup>interviewed by telephone

Kailly Thull PCT.11327

CVS/pharmacy #943 Willimantic

## Application for Pharmacy Internship

Someswarra Rao Dokku Prajakta Dravid Suneetha Jakka Rachna Vyas

All above candidates were approved for internships

## **New Pharmacy Applications**

Pharmacy Healthcare Solutions - Stamford Rocco Angiolelli, PIC 68 Elmcroft Road Stamford, CT 06926

### Pharmacy Remodel

Arrow Pharmacy Holdings, LLC d/b/a Arrow Pharmacy & Nutrition Center 838 Farmington Avenue Farmington, CT 06032

Commission action: A motion was made by Commissioner Goodmaster, seconded by Commissioner Cangelosi and a vote of 6-0 was passed approving the above new pharmacy application and remodel.

#### **Legal Matters**

DN 10-1227 This pharmacist, Kevin Dion (PCT.9085) voluntarily surrendered his pharmacist license in April of 2008. The Department is satisfied that this pharmacist has taken the necessary steps to regain his license. He has a record of counseling, negative drug screens and a letter from his counselor recommending reinstatement. However, this is the third time an action was taken against this license. Therefore, the approved agreement is stricter than the normal reinstatement agreement.

DN 10-1295 This pharmacist, Todd DeGroff (PCT.8811) admitted to the illegal possession of several tablets of a legend drug (an antihistamine). The Department of Consumer Protection obtained a surrender of the license pending an investigation to determine if there was a more serious diversion issue. The department is now satisfied that there was not any additional drug diversion or drug

abuse. Mr. DeGroff's pharmacist license will be reinstated and placed on probation for one year.

DN 10-1237 CVS/Pharmacy #2210 (PCY.1627) permitted a 3/1 pharmacy technician to pharmacist ratio. The approved agreement requires the pharmacy to pay a \$1,000 civil penalty.

DN 10-1296 The Drug Control Division investigated one prescription dispensing error involving two pharmacies, CVS/Pharmacy #133 (PCY. 1561) and CVS/Pharmacy #3373 (PCY.1832). The investigation could not determine which pharmacists or technicians were at fault for the error. The approved agreement provides for a \$500 civil penalty to both pharmacies.

## Other Legal:

A public hearing for the Connecticut regulations regarding sterile compounding will be held on Wednesday, November 10<sup>th</sup> at 165 Capitol Avenue, Room 119, in Hartford.

For notice on future hearings being conducted, one must obtain the Connecticut Law Journal for listings.

#### Request for CE Waivers, etc.

Pallavi Lele is requesting 6 hours of continuing education be accepted for her attendance at the NADDI 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Diversion School. *Request approved* 

#### **Miscellaneous**

Health Complex Medical Inc. (PCY.1846), 84 Progress Lane, Waterbury, CT 06705, is requesting a change from community to specialty pharmacy in order to have approval for reduced pharmacy hours. Commission action: Chairman requested a written protocol regarding the change be sent to the Commission for consideration.

Chairman Summa read a letter he received from a pharmacist regarding the pharmacist's work flow and work load. The Commission believes this to be a labor-related problem and is, therefore, unable to enforce.

Chairman Summa announced only nine Commission of Pharmacy meetings will be held in 2011; there will be no meetings in February, July and December.

REMINDER: November 17<sup>th</sup> meeting will be held at 10 a.m. at the St. Joseph College School of Pharmacy in Downtown Hartford. There is metered parking on the street as well as garage parking available. Please be aware that the college does NOT validate parking.

## **Approval of Minutes**

Approval of August and September minutes

Commission action: A motion was made by Commissioner Goodmaster, seconded by Commissioner Inguanti and a vote of 6-0 was passed approving the August and September meeting minutes.

## Non-Resident Pharmacy Applications

Bioscrip Pharmacy, Inc. 2226 White Plains Road Bronx, NY 10467

Cardinal halth 414, LLC 2425 Waterbury Avenue Bronx, NY 10461

Curascript Inc Dba CuraScrip SP Specialty Pharmacy 2825 W. Perimeter – Ste 112 Indianapolis, IN 46241

JAT Pharmacy, LLC 5374 Maly Road Sun Prarie, WI 53590

Linden Care 123 Eileen Way Syosset, NY 11791

Mayo Clinic Pharmacy 21 Second Street SW Brackenridge Bldg Lower Level Rochester, MN 55902

Nate's Specialty Pharmacy Corp 2304 Nostrand Avenue Brooklyn, NY 11210 Pine Pharmacy and Home Care Products Center, Inc. 5110 Main Street #101 Williamsville, NY 14221

Rx Outreach, Inc. 3171-3183 Riverport Tech Center Drive Maryland Heights, MO 63043

Specialty Veterinary Pharmacy 10400 Westoffice Dr. Ste. 101 Houston, TX 77042

Commission action: A motion was made by Commissioner Inguanti, seconded by Commissioner Vegliante and a vote of 6-0 was passed approving the above non-resident pharmacy applications.

# <u>Adjournment</u>