

**Commission of Pharmacy  
Meeting Minutes  
WEDNESDAY, January 25, 2012**

**Commissioners and staff present:**

Steve Beaudin	deLinda Brown-Jagne, Board Administrator
Richard Carbray	Steven Schwane, DCP Legal Counsel
Angelo DeFazio	
Edith Goodmaster	
Mary Inguanti	
William Summa, Chair	

**Others present:**

Sally Bishay	Sarah Bourgoin
Bill Cover	Andrew Dzierlatka
Danielle Griep	Robert Jansing
Aarti Kotecha	Diana Levinson
Sirisha Mallidi	Kevin Messier
Michelle Mikaelian	Mark Nagel
Christina Orlyn	Fred Polseno
Janyce Rogers	Madhusudhan Samprathi
Kathleen Seversky	Aleksandra Shateva
Joy Sieklucki	Carmen Suedmeier
Maria Summa	Peter Tyczkowski
Jonah Tyler	Ashley Underwood
Dora Wiskirchen	

**Meeting Called to Order** State Office Building, 165 Capitol Avenue, Room 126  
Hartford, Connecticut

**Welcome New Commissioners**

Attorney Schwane to swore in two new Commission members: Commissioner Richard Carbray and Commissioner Angelo DeFazio

**Legal Matters**

**Review of 2011 pharmacy cases** – Attorney Schwane provided a summary of the pharmacy cases submitted in 2011. There were 5 Pharmacy Technician surrenders; 3 Quality Assurance issues; 3 Miscellaneous/Combination; 4 Diversion; 8 Prescription Error; 3 Confidentiality Breach; 12 PMP Violations.

**DNs 11-942 and 11-962** These pharmacies, CVS/pharmacy #760 (PCY.1242) and CVS/pharmacy #854 (PCY.1283), breached patient confidentiality by giving a prescription to the wrong person. Each pharmacy is paying a \$1,000 civil penalty. **Commission action:** A motion was made by Commissioner Beaudin, seconded by Commissioner DeFazio and a vote of 6-0 was passed accepting the Department's recommendation.

**DN 11-978** This pharmacist, Janice Flynn (PCT.6175) committed a prescription error, disclosed a customer's confidential pharmacy information and failed to initiate a Quality Assurance

Review. The agreement calls for a \$500 civil penalty, a Letter of Reprimand and completion of the continuing education course. **Commission action:** *A motion was made by Commissioner Beaudin, seconded by Commissioner Goodmaster and a vote of 6-0 was passed accepting the Department's recommendation.*

**DN 12-3 and 12-4** These pharmacists, William Roux (PCT.9012) and Kristin Cyr (PCT.8906), had voluntarily surrendered their pharmacist licenses. The Department is satisfied that both pharmacists have taken the necessary steps to regain their licenses. Each pharmacist has a record of counseling, negative drug screens and a letter from a counselor recommending reinstatement. Since both pharmacists have had the pharmacist license suspended twice, the proposed agreements are stricter than the normal reinstatement agreement. **Commission action:** *A motion was made by Commissioner Inguanti, seconded by Commissioner Carbray and a vote of 5-0 was passed accepting the Department's recommendation.*

**DN 11-941** This pharmacist, Joseph Seibert (PCT.8018) committed a prescription error involving an overdose of Bactrim for a 22-month old child. **Commission action:** *A motion was made by Commissioner Beaudin, seconded by Commissioner Goodmaster and a vote of 5-0 was passed accepting the Department's recommendation.*

**DN 11-945** This pharmacist, Elizabeth Duncan (PCT.6268) was involved in an alcohol-related incident. The Department of Consumer Protection does not believe that the pharmacist has a dependency problem. The proposed agreement places the pharmacist license on probation for one year. **Commission action:** *A motion was made by Commissioner Carbray, seconded by Commissioner DeFazio and a vote of 5-0 was passed accepting the Department's recommendation.*

**DN 12-12** Drug Control investigated a prescription error and noted that CVS/pharmacy #459 (PCY.1165) had failed to perform a Quality Assurance review. The department is recommending a civil penalty of \$1,000. **Commission action:** *A motion was made by Commissioner Goodmaster, seconded by Commissioner Inguanti and a vote of 6-0 was passed accepting the Department's recommendation.*

**DN 12-11** East Main Pharmacy (PCY.608) breached patient confidentiality by giving a prescription to the wrong person. The agreement provides for a \$1,000 civil penalty to the pharmacy. **Commission action:** *A motion was made by Commissioner DeFazio, seconded by Commissioner Inguanti and a vote of 6-0 was passed accepting the Department's recommendation.*

**DN 12-24** This pharmacist surrendered his license in May of 2008. The Department is satisfied that this pharmacist has taken the necessary steps to regain his license. He has the required record of drug counseling and negative drug screens. *The proposed agreement is for a five-year probation, which is typical for this kind of situation.* **Commission action:** *A motion was made by Commissioner Inguanti, seconded by Commissioner Carbray and a vote of 5-0 was passed accepting the Department's recommendation.*

### **Interview of Reciprocity Candidates**

Chairman Summa informed the group that the Commission no longer requires an in-person interview for reciprocity candidates. Most candidates are interviewed by telephone once successful completion of the MPJE (law exam) has been achieved. The following candidates are being considered for licensure today:

Anthony Campeta Ledyard, CT	From New York
*Tess Hand Gales Ferry, CT	From New Hampshire
Shannon Hendricks Columbus, OH	From Ohio
*Richard Henry Worcester, MA	From Massachusetts
Susan Jacob Waldwick,NJ	From Pennsylvania
Catherine Koo East Haven, CT	From North Carolina
Bhanu Kotha Miami, FL	From Florida
Daniel Ramirez Southlake, TX	From Nevada
Jigar Shah East Hanover, NJ	From New Jersey
*David Shawver Medford, MA	From Massachusetts
Dora Wiskirchen East Hampton, CT	From South Carolina

\*pending telephone interview

**Commission action:** A motion was made by Commissioner Inguanti, seconded by Commissioner Carbray and a vote of 4-2 (Commissioner Goodmaster abstains; Commissioner DeFazio abstains due to contractual obligations with some candidates) was passed approving the above applicants for licensure by reciprocity.

### **First Time Managers**

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). Some responsibilities include licensing, leadership, and prescription error reporting.

Commissioner Inguanti provided those attending as first-time managers with a brief overview of properly reporting pharmacy prescription errors and the Med Watch program.

Appearing before the Commission as first-time managers are:

Olusegun Awodele  
PCT.11991

**(This pharmacist did not appear as scheduled.)**

Main Street Pharmacy  
Bridgeport

Sally Bishay  
PCT.11712

CVS/Pharmacy  
Stamford

Sarah Bourgoin  
PCT.11600

Walgreens Pharmacy #11825  
Bristol

Andrew Dzierlatka  
PCT.11030

Walgreens Pharmacy #11604  
Canton

Danielle Griep  
PCT.11936

Walgreens Pharmacy #2228  
Glastonbury

Kevin Messier  
PCT.12170

Genoa Healthcare  
New London

Madhusudhan Samprathi  
PCT.11947

Slavin's Hancock Pharmacy  
Stamford

Aleksandra Shateva  
PCT.12069

CVS/Pharmacy #2143  
Bridgeport

Carmen Suedmeier  
PCT.8490

Pharmacy Express  
North Haven

Ashley Underwood  
PCT.11957

CVS/Pharmacy #1903  
Bloomfield

### **Application for Pharmacy Internship**

Aarti Bhupendra Kotecha  
Newington, CT

Shravana Nayani  
Hartford, CT

The above applicants were approved for internships as foreign pharmacy graduates.

### **New Pharmacy Applications**

Newtown Pharmacy  
20 Church Hill Road  
Newtown, CT 06470

Sirisha Mallidi, Pharmacy Manager

Pfizer New Haven Clinical  
Research Unit Pharmacy/Specialty  
One Howe Street  
New Haven, CT 06511

Janyce Rogers, Pharmacy Manager

Shop Rite Pharmacy of West Haven  
1131 Campbell Avenue  
West Haven, CT 06516

Kathleen Seversky, Pharmacy Manager

Woodbridge Pharmacy  
245 Amity Road, Suite 111  
Woodbridge, CT 06525

Michele Mikaelian, Pharmacy Manager

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

### **Pharmacy Remodel**

Rite Aid Pharmacy #2737  
455 South Main Street  
Thomaston, CT 06787

Rite Aid Pharmacy #10370  
435 Main Street  
Monroe, CT 06468

\*anticipated, to begin March 19th

**Commission action:** A motion was made by Commissioner Goodmaster, seconded by Commissioner Carbray and a vote of 6-0 was passed approving the above pharmacy remodels.

### **Request for CE Program Approval**

DCP Drug Control Agents are requesting the following program be approved for CE credit:

Naval Criminal Investigative Service (NCIS)  
Pharmaceutical Diversion Training  
For Law Enforcement  
January 19, 2012 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

**Commission action:** A motion was made by Commissioner Beaudin, seconded by Commissioner Inguanti and a vote of 6-0 was passed approving the acceptance of the above continuing education program to be attended by DCP Drug Control Agents.

### **Request for CE Waivers, etc.**

Amie Cho (PCT.11326) is requesting an extension to January 2, 2012 when she obtained her final law credit.

Colleen Dalrymple (PCT.11145) has submitted the school transcript as requested by the Commission at the November meeting.

Whitney Hollands (PCT.11757) is requesting an extension to complete the 1.0 hour law credit.

Alyssa Horton (PCT.10049) is requesting an extension to obtain 5 live continuing education credits.

Lakshmi Kaukonda (PCT.8966) is requesting an extension to January 9, 2012 to obtain her 1.0 law credit.

Alan Lau (PCT.11637) is requesting a 30-day extension to complete his 2011 CE requirement.

Brandie Lau (PCT.11638) is requesting an extension to January 11, 2012 to obtain 1.0 live credit.

Diane Monte (PCT.11195) is requesting an extension to complete her required 2011 continuing education credits.

Claudia Nalesnik (PCT.10546) was in a serious accident and is requesting an extension to complete her required 2011 continuing education requirement.<sup>1</sup>

MinhPhuong Nguyen (PCT.9813) is requesting a 30-day extension to complete her 2011 CE requirement.

Ed Szewczyk (PCT.3260) is requesting a waiver of 8 written credits due to medical reasons.<sup>2</sup>

**Commission action:** A motion was made by Commissioner Beaudin, seconded by Commissioner DeFazio and a vote of 6-0 was passed approving the above continuing education requests; 3-month extensions granted.

<sup>1</sup> This pharmacist's request was approved for a six-month extension.

<sup>2</sup> Commissioner Goodmaster will contact this pharmacist for additional information and report back to the Commission.

### **Miscellaneous**

Review of letter from The Pharmacy Alliance, 6023 Avenue S, Box #134, Galveston, TX, regarding pharmacy working conditions and prescription errors. *Commissioners Inguanti and Beaudin will conduct a study, contact the Pharmacy Alliance and provide a report at the March 28<sup>th</sup> meeting.*

Susan Jacobs (PTP.374) is requesting an extension of her temporary permit to January 25, 2012. *This request is approved.*

Mrs. Jacob Merkin called to notify the Commission that her husband (PCT.2762) passed away in August 2011. She felt the Commission should be aware as he's had a license for more than 50 years. *A letter of condolence will be sent to Mrs. Merkin on behalf of the Commission.*

Teen Rx Abuse Program – Commissioner Goodmaster reported that there has been no advancement in this program.

Commissioner Beaudin requested an update as to the alternative to using "...so help you God" when swearing in Commission attendees, candidates, etc. *Board Administrator will follow up with Department of Administrative Services.*

### **Approval of Minutes**

Review and approval of Commission minutes dated November 30, 2011

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

**Non-Resident Pharmacy Applications**

Diabetic Care Rx, LLC  
d/b/a DCRx Infusion)  
37-15 23<sup>rd</sup> Avenue  
Astoria, NY 11105

Express Scripts Specialty Distribution Services, Inc.  
8931 Springdale Avenue, Suite A  
St. Louis, MO 63134

LSC Mail Order Pharmacy  
605 Montrose Avenue  
South Plainfield, NJ 07080

Legacy Rx, LLC  
6435 Hazeltine National Drive, Suite 140  
Orlando, FL 32822

Medication Adherence Solutions, LLC  
d/b/a DailyMed Pharmacy  
9320 Priority Way West Drive  
Indianapolis, IN 46240

New York Blood Center, Inc.  
1200 Prospect Avenue  
Westbury, NY 11590

Palmer Pharmacy & Much More  
3769 Nicholas Street  
Easton, PA 18045

Prescription Center  
915 Hay Street  
Fayetteville, NC 28305

Prescription Corporation of America  
66 Ford Road, Suite 230  
Denville, NJ 07834

ReCept Pharmacy #31  
4126 Southwest Frwy, Ste. 100  
Houston, TX 77027

Towne Pharmacy  
2 Washington Avenue  
Dunellen, NJ 08812

VetApprovedRx  
14675 Hwy 194  
Oakland, TN 38060

Wells Pharmacy Network, LLC  
11120 S. Crown Way, Suite 11  
Wellington, FL 33414

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

**Adjourned**