

STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER PROTECTION
COMMISSION OF PHARMACY
June 28, 2023

10:00 a.m. The regular meeting of the Commission of Pharmacy was called to order by Commissioner DeFazio. The meeting was conducted by physical attendance and virtually on zoom.

Commissioners Present: Angelo DeFazio, Chairperson

Richard Carbray
Debbie Chisolm
Mary Inguanti

Kristin Linder, Not in Attendance

Staff Present: Gina Samples, Board Administrator

New Pharmacy Application (s)

Yale New Haven Health Pharmacy – Lawrence + Memorial Hospital
365 Montauk Avenue
New London, CT 06320
Nicholas Lariviere, Pharmacy Manager

Commission Action: Commissioner Carbray moved, Commissioner Chisolm Recused, seconded by Commissioner DeFazio and passed by a vote of 3-0, 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.

Pharmacy Relocations (s)

New Haven Pharmacy	New Haven Pharmacy
From:	To:
382 Grand Avenue	374 Grand Avenue
New Haven	New Haven
06513	06513
Akil Shaikh, Pharmacy Manager	

Commission Action: Commissioner Carbray moved, seconded by Commissioner Chisolm the above relocation, the passed by a vote of 5-0 for request resubmitted change in square footage of pharmacy, and a revised blueprint provided that all the requirements set forth in the Connecticut Pharmacy and Drug Laws as enforced by the Commission of Pharmacy are met.

Pharmacy Remodel (s)

CX Pharmacy Corp
110 Commerce Drive, Suite 250
Shelton, CT 06485
Mahboob UR Rehman, Representative

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

CVS Store #135
266 West Street, Route 202
Litchfield, CT 06106
Artild Barjami, District Representative

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

Nutmeg/LTC Pharmacy
345 Broad Street
New London, CT 06320
Ryan Vecchitto, Pharmacy Manager

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

Legal Matters

Case Number: 2022-1653 **Walgreens #12120; PCY.0002144**

Attorney Michael Ando presented this case.

Respondent is a Connecticut Pharmacy investigated following a report of unscheduled closures. It was determined that there were several partial or complete closures. For some of the closures, the Commission of Pharmacy was not timely notified. Additionally, due to some early closures, the Pharmacy operated below 35 hours of operation at times.

Proposed Resolution:

Counsel for Drug Control proposes a settlement in which Respondent shall pay a voluntary monetary settlement amount of \$2,500. Respondent shall follow relevant statutes/regulations.

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

Legal Matters Cont.

Case Number: 2022-1265 **Walgreens #03579; PCY.0000131**

Attorney Michael Ando presented this case.

Respondent is a Connecticut Pharmacy investigated following a report of unscheduled closures. It was determined that there were several partial or complete closures. For some of the closures, the Commission of Pharmacy was not timely notified. Due to some early closures, the Pharmacy operated below 35 hours of operation. Additionally, there was a period with no active pharmacy manager and a related failure to timely notify the Commission of Pharmacy.

Proposed Resolution:

Counsel for Drug Control proposes a settlement in which Respondent shall pay a voluntary monetary settlement amount of \$3,000. Respondent shall follow relevant statutes/regulations.

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

'First Time' Pharmacy Manager (s)

The following pharmacists presented themselves to the Commission of Pharmacy as 'first time' pharmacy managers in the State of Connecticut:

Commissioner DeFazio provided a summary of the responsibilities that a first-time pharmacy manager has and appreciated their appearance before the Commission. Commissioner DeFazio emphasized the importance of the pharmacy manager's role in contrast to the front-store manager (in many retail settings). Some responsibilities include leadership, technician registration, license renewals, reporting pharmacy operation hours, and prescription error reporting. Provided Information on utilization of the Med-watch Program.

Lori Belmont
Kathleen Golebiewski
Pranish Kantesaria
Yen Le
Abigail Myers
Yatish Parmar
Michael Salako
Christopher Tanner

Big Y Pharmacy – Danielson
CVS Pharmacy – Waterbury
Optum Pharmacy – Wallingford
CT Pharmacy East Rock LTC – Wallingford
CVS Pharmacy – Colchester
CVS Pharmacy – Stamford
Barnum Ave Pharmacy – Bridgeport
Bella Vista Pharmacy – New Haven

Not in Attendance

Dorothy Yeboh

Rite Aid Pharmacy – New Haven

Reciprocity Interview Candidate (s)

The following candidates(s) were interviewed over the telephone and attested that the information provided was true and accurate to the best of their belief and understood that any misrepresentation of the fact could result in a fine and/or denial of pharmacist licensure in Connecticut.

Elaine Augustine	Reciprocity from New York
Christine E Bonarrigo	Reciprocity from South Carolina
Ann N Cagle	Reciprocity from Oklahoma
Rodolfo Dellorusso	Reciprocity from Florida
Laura M Divirgilio	Reciprocity from Massachusetts
Colin D Douglas	Reciprocity from New York
Eleni A Gaspar	Reciprocity from Texas
Van Al Hoang	Reciprocity from Texas
Rajveer Kaur	Reciprocity from Virginia
Lori T Mor	Reciprocity from North Carolina
Jasmine L Olson	Reciprocity from Motana
Amy S Williams	Reciprocity from Georgia

Commission Action: Commissioner Inguanti moved, seconded by Commissioner Carbray and passed by a vote of 4-0 to accept the above application(s) for licensure by reciprocity.

Request (s) for Non-Resident Pharmacy Approval

Winona Pharmacies LLC – Twin Falls, ID

Commission Action: Commissioner DeFazio moved Commissioner Carbray seconded passed by a vote of 4-0 to accept the above non-resident pharmacy applications.

AP Max Incorporated – Houston, TX

Bank's Apothecary LLC – Trevoise, PA

Barclay Luke & Pillai Specialty Pharmacy PLCC – Las Vegas, NV

Blend Labs RX LLC – Richmond Hill, NY

CarelonRX Pharmacy Inc – Tuscon, AZ

Preston's Pharmacy Inc – Arlington, VA

SKNV Pharmacy, LLC – Deerfield Beach, FL

Western Wellness Solutions LLC – Scottsdale, AZ

Westmoreland Pharmacy – New Albany, IN

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)

May 30, 2023

Commission Action: Commissioner DeFazio motion to accept, and seconded by Commissioner Carbray passed by a vote of 4-0 to accept.

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

Commission Action: Commissioner DeFazio motion to accept, Commissioner Inguanti moved, seconded by Commissioner Carbray seconded, and passed by a vote of 4-0 to adjourn.

Respectively Submitted,

Angelo DeFazio _____

Angelo DeFazio, Chairperson

Prepared by

Gina Samples _____

Gina Samples, Board Administrator