

STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER PROTECTION
COMMISSION OF PHARMACY
06/30/2021

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
Richard Carbray
Debbie Chisolm
Mary Inguanti
Kristin Linder

Staff Present: Heather Hoynes, Board Administrator

Request(s) for Pharmacy Internship(s)

Lilian Habil appeared before the Commission of Pharmacy to request a pharmacy internship. The Commission of Pharmacy Lilian Habil permission to apply for a pharmacy internship.

New Pharmacy Application(s)

Madison Pharmacy
4180 Madison Ave.
Trumbull, CT 06611
Sherif Elrefaei, Pharmacy Manager

Commission Action: Commissioner Carbray moved, seconded by Commissioner Chisolm and passed by a vote of 6-0 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.

Loft Chemists
1184-1186 Main Street
Bridgeport, CT 06604
Anna Shmayenik, Pharmacy Manager

Commission Action: Did not show for the meeting.

True-Care Pharmacy
1298 Whalley Ave.
New Haven, CT 06515
Chichung Fok, Pharmacy Manager

Commission Action: Commissioner Carbray moved, seconded by Commissioner Chisolm and passed by a vote of 6-0 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 Relocation(s)

Avantum

From:	To:
461 Cooke Street	111 Phoenix Crossing
Farmington, CT	Bloomfield, CT
06032	06002

Andrew Russo, Pharmacy Manager

Commission Action: Commissioner Carbray moved, seconded by Commissioner Chisolm and passed by a vote of 6-0 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.

Main Street Pharmacy

<u>From:</u>	<u>To:</u>
2550 Main Street	421 Park Street
Hartford, CT	Hartford, CT
06120	06106

Michael Caruk, Pharmacy Manager

Commission Action: : Commissioner Carbray moved, seconded by Commissioner Chisolm and passed by a vote of 6-0 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.

Legal Matters

Case Number 2020-881 Walgreens #3359

Attorney Michael Ando presented this case. Commissioner Inguanti 'stepped down'. This case involved Licensee a Connecticut pharmacy that was in engaged in limited non-sterile compounding activities. A routine pharmacy inspection resulted in allegations of deficiencies within the non-sterile compounding program, including equipment calibration issues, compounding in an environment noncompliant with US Pharmacopeia concerning non-sterile preparations, and compounding of pharmaceuticals deemed to be adulterated. Licensee voluntarily discontinued non-sterile compounding activities prior to the resolution of this case. **Proposed Resolution:**

Counsel for the Drug Control Division proposes an agreement in which the licensee shall discontinue any non-sterile compounding activities at this location, very and document calibration of the scales used for compounding, update Standard Operating Procedures to ensure compliance with US Pharmacopeia standards, and ensure training of staff on updated procedures. Additionally, Licensee shall pay a voluntary settlement amount of 1,000 to the Consumer Protection Enforcement Fund.

Commission Action: Commissioner Chisholm moved, seconded by Commissioner Linder and passed by a vote of 5-0 to accept and approve the aforementioned settlement agreement.

'First Time' Pharmacy Manager(s)

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, and prescription error reporting.

Lyuboslav Hadzhiev	CVS Pharmacy – Stamford
Brandon Murphy	CVS Pharmacy – Ansonia
David Vo	CVS Pharmacy – North Haven
Kelly Bennett	Walgreens – Southington
Roman Jani	Walgreens – Bristol
Stela Elmazi	Walgreens – Wethersfield
Larry Nguyen	Walgreens – Meriden
Oluwole Olugbile	Walgreens – Hartford
Tania Kent	Big Y Pharmacy – Stratford
Yamilia Garcia-Colon	Walgreens – Hartford
Joanna Chorazy	Walgreens – New Britain
Christine Wozniak	Walgreens – Windsor Locks
Joshua Cummings	Walgreens – Coventry
Kristin Whitman	CVS Pharmacy – Manchester

Request(s) for Non-Resident Pharmacy Approval

Delray Pharmacy – Delray Beach, FL

Roman Health Pharmacy LLC – Beaverton, OR

Commission Action: Commissioner DeFazio moved, seconded by Commissioner Cafferelli and passed by a vote of 6-0 to accept the above non-resident pharmacy applications.

Cross River Pharmacy – Cross River, NY

Lumberton Drug Company – Lumberton, NC

WP Pharma Labs, Inc. – Dallas, TX

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 26, 2021

Commission Action: Commissioner Inguanti moved, seconded by Commissioner Linder and passed by a vote of 6-0 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,

Heather Hoynes

Heather Hoynes, Board Administrator