

STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER PROTECTION
COMMISSION OF PHARMACY
November 15, 2017

10:00 a.m. The regular meeting of the Commission of Pharmacy was called to order by Commissioner DeFazio. The meeting was held in the meeting was held in Plaza North Room C&D, 450 Columbus Boulevard, Hartford, CT 06103

Commissioners Present: Angelo DeFazio, Chairperson
Richard Carbray
Debbie Chisolm
Edith G. Goodmaster
Mary Inguanti

Staff Present: Heather Hoynes, Board Administrator

Interview of Reciprocity Candidate(s)

The following candidate(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 facts could result in a fine and/or denial of pharmacist licensure in Connecticut.

Jacklyn Chong	Reciprocity from California
Rebecca Fetzer	Reciprocity from Pennsylvania
Scott Gould	Reciprocity from Massachusetts
Brandon Martinez	Reciprocity from Arizona
Donald Morrison	Reciprocity from Massachusetts
Adetoro Oriaifo	Reciprocity from Maryland
Kim Stafford	Reciprocity from Rhode Island
Stephanie Tang	Reciprocity from Rhode Island

Commission Action: Commissioner Goodmaster moved, seconded by Commissioner Chisolm and passed by a vote of 5-0 to accept the above application(s) for licensure by reciprocity.

Request(s) for Pharmacy Internship(s)

Mahmoud Alsabbagh appeared before the Commission of Pharmacy to request a pharmacy internship. The Commission of Pharmacy granted Mahmoud Alsabbagh permission to apply for a pharmacy internship.

Enrico Raponi appeared before the Commission of Pharmacy to request a pharmacy internship. The Commission of Pharmacy granted Enrico Raponi permission to apply for a pharmacy internship.

New Pharmacy Application(s)

A&S Chemists
900-910 Summer Street
Stamford, CT 06905
Sally Bishay, Pharmacy Manager

Commission Action: Commissioner Carbray 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.

BriovaRx Infusion Services Inc.
33 N Plains Industrial Road
Wallingford, CT 06492
Vincent Piccirillo, Pharmacy Manager

Commission Action: Commissioner Carbray moved, seconded by Commissioner Chisholm 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. Pending a 797 inspection.

Pharmacy Remodel(s)

UCONN Student Health Services Pharmacy
234 Glenbrook Road Unit 4011
Storrs, CT 06269

Commission Action: Commissioner Carbray 'stepped down'
Commissioner DeFazio moved, seconded by Commissioner Inguanti and passed by a vote of 4-0 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.

Salem Health Mart
24 Hartford Road Unit #11
Salem, CT 06420

Commission Action: Commissioner Carbray moved, seconded by Commissioner Chisholm 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.

Riverside Pharmacy
926 Main Street
East Hartford, CT 06108

Commission Action: Commissioner Carbray moved, seconded by Commissioner Inguanti 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.

Hancock Pharmacy and Surgical
840 East Main Street
Meriden, CT 06450

Commission Action: Commissioner Carbray moved, seconded by Commissioner Inguanti 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. Pending a 797 inspection.

Legal Matters

Case Number 2016-969 Diane Servedio, RPh

Attorney Bryan Cafferelli presented this case. No Commissioner 'stepped down'. This case involved: The Licensee is a pharmacist that entered into a 5 year monitoring agreement to reinstate their pharmacist license on June 13, 2017. The agreement was accepted and approved by this commission at its June 21, 2017, meeting. The licensee requested clarification of the agreement relating to providing notice of the agreement to current or prospective employers.

Proposed Resolution: The proposed amendment clarifies the section of the current agreement relating to providing current or prospective employers.

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

Case Number 2016-1253 Steven Dixon, RPh

Attorney Bryan Cafferelli presented this case. No Commissioner 'stepped down'. This case involved The Licensee is a pharmacist that voluntarily surrendered their license in September 2016, after allegations of diversion of controlled substances. The licensee did not have any violations prior to the surrender.

Proposed Resolution: This Reinstatement Agreement contains prerequisites for reinstatement and a five year probationary period with strict controls and oversight, including random drug screenings, substance abuse treatment, counseling, attendance at self-help group meetings and restrictions on working alone as a licensed pharmacist, managing a pharmacy or ordering controlled substances.

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

Case Number 2016-1575 & 2017-96 CVS Pharmacy No. 3373 & No. 1154
Attorney Bryan Cafferelli presented this case. Commissioner DeFazio 'stepped down'. This case involved we adjudicated cases 2016-1575 and 2017-96 concurrently due to the nature and closeness of the violations. The Licensees are a pharmacies that have been investigated by the Drug Control Division for violating statute(s) or regulation(s) relating to drugs, devices or the practice of pharmacy, including:

- performing incompetent or negligent work
- failing to perform a quality assurance review for prescription error no later than two business days from the date the prescription error was discovered
- failing to include the names and titles of the persons performing the quality assurance review
- failing to include the pertinent data and other information relating to the prescription errors on the quality assurance review
- failing to provide the recommended changes to pharmacy policy, procedures, systems, or processes
- failing to maintain a record of the quality assurance review

Proposed Resolution: This Settlement Agreement calls for a \$29,000.00 dollar civil penalty as settlement for both cases.

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

Case Number 2017-673 Ryan Bango, RPh
Attorney Bryan Cafferelli presented this case. Commissioner Goodmaster 'stepped down'. This case involved The Licensee is a pharmacist that has been investigated by the Drug Control Division for allegedly performing incompetent or negligent work and failing to store controlled substances in such a manner as to prevent theft or diversion.

Proposed Resolution: This Settlement Agreement calls for a \$250.00 civil penalty, an agreement not to serve as a pharmacy manager for two years and a letter of reprimand

Commission Action: Commissioner Chisholm moved, seconded by Commissioner Carbray and passed by a vote of 4-0 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.

Commissioner Inguanti provided a brief overview of the Med Watch program and discussed properly reporting prescription errors.

Camille Sannasi

Walgreens – Waterbury

Kari Hernandez

Walgreens - East Hartford

Paul Efthymiou

Rite Aid – Portland

Diane Corba
Andrea Idusuyi
Brandon Nicoll
Lauren Crespo
Tara Raymaakers
Maria Bento
Paulina Wirkowski
Ruchi Dalsania
Stephanie Boguslawski
Payal Patel
Meghan Sickinger
Michelle Warren

Connecticut Pharmacy – Norwalk
Stop & Shop Pharmacy – Manchester
Stop & Shop Pharmacy – Rockville
Stop & Shop Pharmacy – Vernon
Stop & Shop Pharmacy – Meriden
Walgreens – Enfield
CVS Pharmacy – Meriden
CVS Pharmacy - New Britain
CVS Pharmacy – Meriden
Walgreens - East Hartford
CVS Pharmacy – West Hartford
CVS Pharmacy – Cheshire

Miscellaneous Matters

The dates for the COP meetings in 2018 were discussed and voted on as the third or last Wednesday of every month except for February, July and December were there will be no meeting. The dates are as followed:

January 17, 2018	August 15, 2018
March 21, 2018	September 26, 2018
April 25, 2018	October 31, 2018
May 16, 2018	November 28, 2018
June 20, 2018	

Request(s) for Continuing Education Program Approval

Food and Drug Law Institute, Drug Quality Security Act Conference,
1 CE Law, November 15, 2017 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Washington DC

Commission Action: Commissioner Goodmaster moved, seconded by Commissioner Chisholm and passed by a vote of 5-0 to accept Commissioner Inguanti's recommendation to approve the above continuing education program.

Request(s) for Non-Resident Pharmacy Approval

Accurate Rx Pharmacy Consulting – Columbia, Mo
G&S Pharmacy LLC – Ft. Lauderdale, FL
Hudgins Pharmacy – Mathews, VA
KnippeRx Inc. – Charlestown, In
Livernois Rx – Allen, TX
Orphan Pharmacy Services – Syosset, NY
Over the Mountain Compounding Pharmacy – Birmingham, AL
Patient First Pharmacy – Sugar Land, TX
PharmaCord – Louisville, KY
WellDyne Rx LLC – Centennial, CO

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

Newsom's Family Pharmacy – Strong, AR
Option Care – Cranston, RI
The Pharmacompoundia – Plano, TX
The Pharmacompoundia Clinical Pharmacy – Plano, TX
Steeplechase Express Rx – Houston, TX
The Wellness Corner LLC – Prairieville, LA

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)

October 18, 2017

Commission Action: Commissioner Goodmaster moved, seconded by Commissioner Inguanti 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, Acting Chairperson

Prepared by,

Heather Hoynes

Heather Hoynes, Board Administrator