

STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER PROTECTION
COMMISSION OF PHARMACY
November 24, 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
Richard Carbray
Debbie Chisolm
Mary Inguanti
Kristin Linder

Staff Present: Heather Hoynes, Board Administrator

Request(s) for Pharmacy Internship(s)

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

New Pharmacy Application(s)

Pharmacy at Blue Back
55 Isham Rd
West Hartford, CT 06107

Ariana Masi-Karpuc, Pharmacy Manager

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

Genoa Healthcare
969 West Main Street, Unit 2A, Room P
Waterbury, CT 06708

Brittany Travis, Pharmacy Manager

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

Barnum Ave Pharmacy LLC
1853 Barnum Ave.
Bridgeport, CT 06610
Muhammad Ishtiaq, Pharmacy Manager

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

Pharmacy Relocation(s)

Brass City Pharmacy

From:

558 Chase Ave Ste2B
Waterbury, CT
06704

To:

309 East Main Street
Waterbury, CT
06704

Roy Ciarlo, Pharmacy Manager

Commission Action: Commissioner Carbray moved, seconded by Commissioner Chisolm and passed by a vote of 5-0 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 2010-280 **John Kannampadam AKA Joby George**

Attorney Michael Ando presented this case. Commissioner Chisolm 'stepped down'. This case involved Prospective Licensee is a former Connecticut Pharmacist who voluntarily surrendered their license in 2010 following a conviction for a single count of health care fraud. Licensee was licensed in Connecticut via reciprocity with the State of New Jersey. Licensee has submitted a new application for a pharmacist license and has completed all testing required of a new applicant for a pharmacist license in Connecticut.

Proposed Resolution: Counsel for the Drug Control Division proposes an agreement in which prospective licensee shall be licensed as a Connecticut Pharmacist but shall be subject to a five-year term of probation. During this probationary period, prospective licensee shall not: work alone as the sole licensed pharmacist, manage a pharmacy, be responsible for ordering, storing, or recordkeeping of controlled substances; shall complete continuing education courses in ethics and pharmacy management, shall provide the Division with home address and employment information, as well as provide this agreement to any prospective and current employers and cause their employer to acknowledge receipt of the agreement to the Division; and obey all state and federal laws and regulations related to pharmacy practice.

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

Lynn English	CVS Pharmacy – Berlin
Kaitlyn Wilhelm	Beacon Pharmacy – Vernon
Tien Tran	Walgreens – Berlin
Alesandra Rubano	CVS Pharmacy – Guilford
Seyma Celik	CVS Pharmacy – Branford
Ivan Philipose	A&S Pharmacy – Stamford
Iliana Figueroa	CVS Pharmacy – Meriden
Thomas Bittel	Walgreens – Torrington
Adam Krakowiak	Walgreens – Canaan
Brittany Travis	Genoa Healthcare – Waterbury

Miscellaneous Matters

The dates for the COP meetings in 2022 were discussed and voted on as the last Wednesday of every month except for February, July and December were there will be no meeting. The dates are as followed:

January 26, 2022	August 31, 2022
March 30, 2022	September 28, 2022
April 27, 2022	October 26, 2022
May 25, 2022	November 30, 2022
June 29, 2022	

Request(s) for Non-Resident Pharmacy Approval

- Geisinger Mail Order Pharmacy – Elysburg, PA
- My Choice Pharmacy – Fort Worth, TX
- Neighborhood Pharmacy – Philadelphia, PA
- NuFactor, Inc – Flower Mound, TX
- Preckshot Professional Pharmacy – Peoria, IL
- Sinai Rx Pharmacy – Bronx, NY
- Vetsource Home Delivery – Harrisburg, PA

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

- All Family Pharmacy LLC – Boca Raton, FL
- Clark's Pharmacy – Carefree, AZ
- Essential Isotopes, LLC – Columbia, MO
- Rx Care Pharmacy – Tampa, FL
- Your Health Pharmacy – Pompano Beach, FL

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 27, 2021

Commission Action: Commissioner Inguanti moved, seconded by Commissioner Linder 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, Chairperson

Prepared by,

Heather Hoynes

Heather Hoynes, Board Administrator