

STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER PROTECTION
COMMISSION OF PHARMACY

May 20, 2015

10:00 a.m. The regular meeting of the Commission of Pharmacy was called to order by Commissioner William Summa. The meeting was held in Room 126, of The State Office Building 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, CT 06106

Commissioners Present: William Summa, Chairperson
Mary Inguanti
Steve Beaudin
Angelo DeFazio
Edith G. Goodmaster

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.

Justin Bivona	Reciprocity from New Jersey
Howard Cohen	Reciprocity from Kansas
Sashi Dondapati	Reciprocity from New Jersey
Richard Fitzgerald	Reciprocity from Massachusetts
Jessica Furman	Reciprocity from Rhode Island
Ashley Hayman	Reciprocity from Florida
Marguerite Monogue	Reciprocity from Texas
Jesse Owen	Reciprocity from Idaho
Amanda Pruden	Reciprocity from Iowa
Cara Turner	Reciprocity from New Jersey
Christopher Territo	Reciprocity from New Jersey

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

'First Time' Pharmacy Manager(s)

Commissioner Summa provided a summary of the responsibilities that a first-time pharmacy manager has and appreciated their appearance before the Commission. Commissioner Summa 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.

Timothy Harvey	CVS Pharmacy – New Canaan
Rukshana Miah	CVS Pharmacy - Stamford
Michael L'Italien	Walgreens Pharmacy - Hamden
Susan Tran	Walgreens Pharmacy – Bristol
Patrick Boscarino	Rite Aid – New Britain

New Pharmacy Application(s)

CVS Pharmacy #2258
537 Canal Street
Stamford, CT 06902

Rukshana Miah, Pharmacy Manager

Commission Action: Commissioner DeFazio moved, seconded by Commissioner Goodmaster to table this Pharmacy until the next meeting to give the pharmacy manager time to review the plans of the pharmacy by a vote of 4-0 to table the above pharmacy.

GPG, LLC Dba Greenwich Pharmacy
118 Main Street
New Canaan, CT 06840

Rosa Lavoura, Pharmacy Manager

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

Fair Haven Pharmacy LLC
72 Grand Avenue
New Haven, CT 06513

Jenah Yeung, Pharmacy Manager

Commission Action: Commissioner DeFazio moved, seconded by Commissioner Goodmaster and passed by a vote of 4-0 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)

Walgreens #16080

From:
740 Villa Ave.
Fairfield, CT
06825

To:
414 Kings Highway
Fairfield, CT
06825

Judith C. Nwagwu, Pharmacy Manager

Commission Action: This Pharmacy did not show up for the meeting.

Legal Matters

Docket Number 15-207 CVS #1149

Attorney Lynn Fiore presented this case. Commissioner Beaudin 'stepped down'. This case involved Drug Control investigated this pharmacy for failing to report a loss of controlled substances within 72 hours and for failing to have its first-time pharmacy manager appear before the Commission of Pharmacy. This agreement calls for payment of a civil penalty in the amount of \$2,000.

Commission Action: Commissioner Inguanti moved, seconded by Commissioner DeFazio and passed by a vote of 3-0 to accept and approve the aforementioned settlement agreement.

Docket Number 15-226 CVS #1213

Attorney Lynn Fiore presented this case. No Commissioner 'stepped down'. This case involved Drug Control investigated this pharmacy for failing to have its first-time pharmacy manager appear before the Commission of Pharmacy. This agreement calls for payment of a civil penalty in the amount of \$1,000

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

Docket Number 15-236 Walgreens #9521

Attorney Lynn Fiore presented this case. No Commissioner 'stepped down'. This case involved that alleged this pharmacy permitted the disclosure of a customer's confidential pharmacy information. This settlement agreement resolves the matter by way of payment of a \$1000 civil penalty, the standard penalty for this type of violation.

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

Docket Number 15-250 Joseph Garlo, RPh

Attorney Lynn Fiore presented this case. Commissioner Carbray 'stepped down'. This case involved this pharmacist committed a prescription error and failed to initiate the process to complete a Quality Assurance review. The agreement calls for a \$500 civil penalty and completion of the continuing education course related to prescription errors.

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.

Docket Number 15-264 George Chau Hoang Le, RPh

Attorney Lynn Fiore presented this case. Commissioner Inguanti 'stepped down'. This case involved an investigation conducted by the Drug Control Division wherein it is alleged that pharmacists, who are husband and wife, illegally transcribed and filled controlled substance prescriptions for each other, on one occasion, without authorization from a practitioner. Both agreements for these pharmacists are identical and call for a two-week suspension of each license and payment of a \$500 civil penalty from both.

Commission Action: Commissioner Beaudin moved, seconded by Commissioner DeFazio and passed by a vote of 3-0 to accept and approve the aforementioned settlement agreement.

Docket Number 15-265 Han Hang, RPh

Attorney Lynn Fiore presented this case. Commissioner Inguanti 'stepped down'. This case involved an investigation conducted by the Drug Control Division wherein it is alleged that pharmacists, who are husband and wife, illegally transcribed and filled controlled substance prescriptions for each other, on one occasion, without authorization from a practitioner. Both agreements for these pharmacists are identical and call for a two-week suspension of each license and payment of a \$500 civil penalty from both.

Commission Action: Commissioner Beaudin moved, seconded by Commissioner DeFazio and passed by a vote of 3-0 to accept and approve the aforementioned settlement agreement.

Miscellaneous Matters

Dawn Rizzi came before the commission to request a modification of her settlement agreement. The commission decided to have one of the commissioner step-down to further review the request.

Big Y's Pharmacy Load Balancing request was tabled until the next meeting for further review by the commission.

Request(s) for Continuing Education Program Approval

FDA

Inter-Governmental Meeting on Pharmacy, 6 Ce's requested
March 18-19 2015, FDA White Oak Campus Silver Springs, MD

Commission Action: Commissioner Inguanti moved, seconded by
Commissioner Goodmaster and passed by a vote of 4-0 to accept
Commissioner Inguanti's recommendation to approve the above
continuing education program.

Request(s) for Non-Resident Pharmacy Approval

A & W Pharmacy LLC. – Webster, TX
B & E Drugs – Rego Park, NY
Communicare Inc. – New York, NY
Dunn Meadow Pharmacy – Fort Lee, NJ
Homescripts LLC – Troy, MI
Llewellyn's Pharmacy – Avoca, PA
Pharmacy Link Inc. – Birmingham, AL
Promed Pharmacy – East Meadow, NY
V-Pharm Inc. – Wilker-Barre, PA

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

Infinite Care Pharmacy – Cave Creek, AZ
IV Solutions of Lubbock – Lubbock, TX
Premier Pharmacy #4 – Baldwin Park, CA
Smith Pharmacy – Perth Amboy, NJ
Specialty RX Inc. – Roselle, NJ

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)

April 15, 2015

Commission Action: Commissioner DeFazio moved, seconded by
Commissioner Goodmaster and passed by a vote of 4-0 to accept the
above Commission of Pharmacy Meeting Minutes.

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

Respectfully Submitted,

William Summa
William Summa, Chairperson

Prepared by,
Heather Hoynes
Heather Hoynes, Board Administrator