# STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER PROTECTION COMMISSION OF PHARMACY March 19, 2014

10:00 a.m. The regular meeting of the Commission of Pharmacy was called to

order by Commissioner William Suma. The meeting was held in Room 126, of The State Office Building 165 Capitol Avenue,

Hartford, CT 06106

Commissioners Present: William Summa, Chairperson

Steve Beaudin
Richard Carbray
Debbie Chisolm
Angelo DeFazio
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.

Sara Howell

Karen Ann McLaughlin

Azaliah O'Banyoun

Elizabeth Snead

Luay Zaidat

Reciprocity from Alabama

Reciprocity from Massachusetts

Reciprocity from New York

Reciprocity from Massachusetts

Reciprocity from New Hampshire

**Commission Action:** Commissioner Beaudin moved, seconded by Commissioner Goodmaster and passed by a vote of 6-0 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.

Kimberly Smith

Stop & Shop Pharmacy - Madison

Elizabeth Hermenegildo

Stop & Shop Pharmacy- Wallingford

Amber Bednarz

Stop & Shop Pharmacy - Bristol

CVS Pharmacy - Cromwell

Bryan Hubel

Genoa Healthcare - Dayville

Eser Ercil Wal-Mart – Groton

Jonathan Caranfa Target Pharmacy-Torrington

Lakahmi Munnangi Arch Street Pharmacy – New Britain

Rachel Tatulis Walgreens #5949 – Torrington

#### New Pharmacy Application(s)

Arch Street Pharmacy 333 Arch Street New Britain, CT 06051

Lakshmi Munnangi, Pharmacy Manager

**Commission Action:** Commissioner Carbray moved, seconded by Commissioner DeFazio 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.

Prospect Pharmacy LLC 166 Waterbury Road Suite 302 Prospect, CT 06712 Sirisha Mallidi, Pharmacy Manager

**Commission Action:** Commissioner Carbray moved, seconded by Commissioner Goodmaster 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)

Walgreens

From: To:

30 Mill Street 5 Mill Street Unionville, CT Unionville, CT

06085 Bernadette Vitali, Pharmacy Manager

**Commission Action:** Commissioner Chisolm stepped down and up stained from the vote. Commissioner Carbray moved, seconded by Commissioner Goodmaster 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.

#### Pharmacy Remodel(s)

Rite Aid Pharmacy 10 Hemingway Ave. East Haven, CT 06512-3404

**Commission Action:** The pharmacy was a no show.

#### **Legal Matters**

Docket Number 14-36 Qualicare Pharmacy

Attorney Steven Schwane presented this case. Commissioner Beaudin 'stepped down'. This case involved this pharmacy was licensed as a long term care pharmacy and was connected to a community pharmacy in the same building. The newly licensed long term pharmacy never fully opened. This long term pharmacy appeared to have ordered drugs which actually went to the community pharmacy. The department is recommending a civil penalty of \$10,000.

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

Docket Number 14-104 Allan Krasnow

Attorney Steven Schwane presented this case. No Commissioner 'stepped down'. This case involved this pharmacist committed a prescription error that also resulted in a breach of patient confidentiality. The investigation determined that pharmacist who committed the error was also at fault for the breach of confidentiality. The agreement calls for a \$600 civil penalty (\$500 for the breach of confidentiality and \$100 for a second error within 3 years) and a Letter of Reprimand.

**Commission Action:** Commissioner Beaudin moved, seconded by Commissioner DeFazio and passed by a vote of 6-0 to accept and approve the aforementioned settlement agreement.

#### **Miscellaneous Matters**

Infinity Compounding Solutions appeal for Doctor Ownership has been referred to the Attorney Generals office for further review.

Chairman Summa discussed the requirement of Social Security numbers for all Intern license applications as per C.G.S. 17b-137a

Commissioner Goodmaster talked about the appointment of Dr. James Halpert as dean of the UCONN School of Pharmacy.

#### Request(s) for CE Waiver

Commissioner Goodmaster reviewed the submitted requests. Commissioner Goodmaster recommended acceptance of each request as follows:

Erica Sztangret Received 30 CE's over the two year span instead 15

per calendar year.

**Commission Action:** Commissioner Inguanti moved, seconded by Commissioner DeFazio and passed by a vote of 6-0 to accept the above recommendations.

### Request(s) for Continuing Education Program Approval

Partners Pharmacy

Care, Prepare, Compare: Your Keys to Healthcare Success,

5 CEUs Requested

May 2, 2014, 8:00a.m. – 3:45 p.m., Water's Edge Resort & Spa

**Commission Action:** Commissioner Beaudin moved, seconded by Commissioner Goodmaster and passed by a vote of 6-0 to accept Commissioner Inguanti's recommendation to approve the above continuing education program.

#### Request(s) for Non-Resident Pharmacy Approval

Assured RX LLC - Clearwater, FL

Atlantic Pharmacy & Compounding – Pompano Beach, FL

Brand Direct Health LLC - Mandeville, LA

Canyon Creek Pharmacy INC. - San Antonio, TX

Coordinated Care Network Pharmacy – Pittsburgh, PA

Coral Springs Specialty Pharmacy – Coral Springs, FL

Entracell Pharmacy - Los Angeles, CA

Fusion RX Compounding Pharmacy – Los Angeles, CA

Gallos Pharmacy LLC - Mahwah, NJ

GenRX – Scottsdale, AZ

Isomeric Pharmacy Solutions – Salt Lake City, UT

Maple Pharmacy - Las Vegas, NV

My Favorite Pharmacy - Tamarac, FL

National Animal Hospital – Kihei, HI

National Wellness Supply – Ambridge, PA

Norwood Pharmacy LLC – Maryland Heights, MD

Pharmazy – Lone Tree, CO

ProAct Pharmacy – Gouverneur, NY

Scripte Corporation – Burbank, CA

SmartPractice Allergen Bank, LLC - Phoenix, AZ

Specialty Care Pharmacy – Boca Raton, FL

Vidascript – Miami, FL

Walgreens #1109-2 - Muscle Shoals, AL

Wilson Pharmacy – Forest Park, GA

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

Annie's Apothecary – Boerne, TX
Chronos Pharmacy – Astoria, NY
Distinguished Pharmacy – Houston, TX
Edge Pharmacy Services LLC – Colchester, VT
HM Compounding – Bayonne, NJ
Legacy Pharmacy – Cherry Hill, NJ
Patient Direct RX – Horsham, PA
Tropical Pharmacy – Plantation, 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)

February 19, 2014

**Commission Action:** Commissioner DeFazio moved, seconded by Commissioner Inguanti and passed by a vote of 6-0 to accept the above Commission of Pharmacy Meeting Minutes.

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

Respectfully Submitted,
<u>Wílliam Summa</u> William Summa, Chairperson
William Somma, Chairperson
Prepared by,
<u> Heather Hoynes</u>
Heather Hoynes, Board Administrator