

STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER PROTECTION
COMMISSION OF PHARMACY
April 26, 2023

10:00 a.m. The regular meeting of the Commission of Pharmacy was called to order by Commissioner DeFazio. The meeting was conducted by physical attendance and virtually on zoom.

Commissioners Present: Angelo DeFazio, Chairperson

Richard Carbray
Debbie Chisolm
Mary Inguanti
Kristin Linder

Staff Present: Gina Samples, Board Administrator

Pharmacy Relocations (s)

New Haven Pharmacy	New Haven Pharmacy
From:	To:
382 Grand Avenue	374 Grand Avenue
New Haven	New Haven
06513	06513

Akil Shaikh, Pharmacy Manager

Commission Action: Commissioner Carbray moved, seconded by Commissioner Chisolm the above relocation request passed by a vote of 5-0 to and provided all the requirements set forth in the Connecticut Pharmacy and Drug Laws as enforced by the Commission of Pharmacy are met.

Maple Pharmacy	
From:	To:
408 New Britain Avenue	438 New Britain Avenue
Hartford	Hartford
06106	06106

Michael Habib, Pharmacy Manager

Commission Action: Commissioner Carbray moved, seconded by Commissioner Chisolm the above relocation request passed by a vote of 5-0 to and 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: 2022-1816 **Bonnie E. Lake; PCY.0008677**

Attorney Michael Ando presented this case.

Respondent is a Connecticut Pharmacist investigated secondary to a routine pharmacy inspection. It was determined that the pharmacist did not have appropriate, current certification to administer vaccines. Respondent did not correct the certification issue after multiple advisements. Respondent is currently appropriately certified to administer vaccines.

Proposed Resolution:

Counsel for Drug Control proposes a settlement in which Respondent shall pay a voluntary monetary settlement amount of \$1,000. Respondent shall follow all laws related to certification and licensing, and shall receive a Letter of Reprimand.

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.

'First Time' Pharmacy Manager (s)

The following pharmacists presented themselves to the Commission of Pharmacy as 'first time' pharmacy managers in the State of Connecticut:

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, reporting pharmacy operation hours, and prescription error reporting. Provided Information on utilization of the Med-watch Program.

Melissa Armory

Lawrence Beninati

Angela Berry

Fallon Callahan

Albert Czachor

Kayla Eng

Astha Maltare

Nicole Macniak

William Mann

Michele Maskell

CVS Pharmacy – Stratford

CVS Pharmacy – Stratford

CVS Pharmacy – Fairfield

Stop & Shop Pharmacy – Norwich

Middletown Pharmacy – Middletown

CVS Pharmacy – Milford

Genoa Healthcare – Waterbury

CVS Pharmacy – Farmington

CVS Pharmacy – Groton

Stop & Shop Pharmacy – Niantic

Reciprocity Interview Candidate (s)

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

Jackson G Dove	Reciprocity from Georgia
Abdelrahman M Hassaan	Reciprocity from New Jersey
Brian J Huseby	Reciprocity from Montana
Anastazja Kopanski	Reciprocity from New Jersey
Clara H Malone	Reciprocity from Georgia
Chengli Ni	Reciprocity from Tennessee
Cory A Swymer	Reciprocity from Georgia

Request to Increase Pharmacy Technician Ratio

Connecticut's Children's Medical Center, Paulette Grocki, Director of Pharmacy Technicians is asking that the Pharmacy Technician Ratio in this hospital setting be increased to a 5:1 ratio, it would enable them to balance work duties, shift schedules, and the training obligations schedule.

Commission Action: Commissioner DeFazio made a motion to accept the 5:1 Pharmacy Technician Ratio proposal, hearing no motion to second the waiver request is denied.

Miscellaneous

NABP Annual MPJE Meeting Update

Agent Rachel Brown, Commissioner Kristin Linder, and Commissioner Mary Inguanti completed the 2023 MPJE item development exercise. This annual assignment consists of accessing the item writing materials via a secure NABP web portal and writing new questions for our CT MPJE exam based on the competency needs outlined by the NABP. We used the item development resources and the template provided for authoring items. A new remote MPJE item writing and security workshop was held on 3/14 and repeated on 3/15 which Commissioners Linder, Inguanti and Agent Brown participated in. NABP rolled out their new secure, electronic platform which we all were trained to use for item writing and submission. Commissioner Linder also traveled to Chicago to attend the MPJE item writing workshop in person. The item writing assignment was completed and submitted on the due date of March 10, 2023

Request(s) for Non-Resident Pharmacy Approval

Anovorx Group LLC – Chandler, AZ
Centerwell Pharmacy Inc – Orlando, FL
Enscript360 NYC LLC – New York, NY
Glendale Pharmacy Frisco – Frisco, TX
Omro Meds LLC – Omro, WI
Zeal SP, LLC dba Trust Specialty Pharmacy – Pittsburg, PA

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

Health Care Center Pharmacy – Cary, NC
Musely Compounding Pharmacy East LLC – Suwanee, GA
NuFactor Inc – Ronkonkoma, NY
OP Pharmacy LLC – Morton Grove, IL
Pharmscript of IN LLC – Indianapolis, IN
Shaloms Pharmacy Inc – Brooklyn, NY
SRIN Specialty CORP – Yonkers, NY

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)

March 29, 2023

Commission Action: Commissioner DeFazio, seconded by Commissioner Inguanti, Commissioner Chisolm abstained passed by a vote of 5-0 to accept.

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

Commission Action: Commissioner DeFazio moved, seconded by Commissioner Linder seconded, and passed by a vote of 5-0 to adjourn.

Respectively Submitted,

Angelo DeFazio

Angelo DeFazio, Chairperson

Prepared by

Gina Samples

Gina Samples, Board Administrator